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HEAT WAVE.

CAUSES SHORTAGE IN FOOD.

CANTON FATALITIES.

Shanghai's recent "heat wave" has had the unexpected effect of adversely affecting Hongkong's food supplies.

Prior to the strike, Hongkong imported most of its fresh eggs from Swatow and neighbourhood. This source is now cut off or very irregular.

Shanghai has always been a supplier, and exports from the North have increased since last year.

Because of the intense heat, it has been found that in some shipments the eggs had spoiled before the steamer's departure. Much that is arriving now has turned bad almost simultaneously with discharge. Nor has the local temperature been a factor in favour.

Accordingly, supplies are "down" for the present. There are other sources which are available to the Colony, but the relative quantity is negligible.

Deaths on Roads.

The death of livestock and poultry, in transit for Hongkong, was reported yesterday. Prices have been slightly affected, it is gathered.

From Canton comes a report that the highest (in the shade) temperature recorded there during the week-end was 95 degrees, although some say that it was higher. Being further inland, it is likely that Canton would feel the heat borne by the winds from the equator, than Hongkong. At any rate, the deaths of over ten persons, following heat prostration, are mentioned in the report.

The majority of the deaths are stated to have been on the roads leading from the suburbs to the city.

THE WEATHER.

BETTER PROSPECTS FOR TO-DAY.

"FAIR" AGAIN.

Last night the official weather forecast hinted that there was a risk of thunder showers. An improvement has set in as the prediction, till noon to-morrow is: Moderate East winds; fair.

This forecast is for Hongkong, the coast and Formosa Channel. At 11.10 a.m. to-day the Observatory reported:—

Pressure has decreased moderately over Japan and slightly from Pratas to Manila. It has increased moderately or slightly elsewhere.

The typhoon is filling up over Manchuria.

An area of low pressure covers the northern portion of the China Sea in which a typhoon may be forming.

Meteorological report at 6 a.m. to-day: barometer 29.67; temperature 81; humidity 89; wind East, force 1; weather cloudy.

HONOUR TO WHOM.

Sir Shou-son Chow, senior Chinese representative on the Legislative Council, is to be entertained by the Hongkong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce.

In honour of Sir Shou-son's knighthood, and his recent appointment to the Executive Council, the Chamber were to have been hosts at dinner to-night.

Owing to short notice, the complimentary banquet will be held at the Yee Woo restaurant, West Point, next Wednesday (a week from to-day).

Latest details about the Fifth Test Match will be found in the sports section on page 9. The report of an unsuccessful escape, and chase, in the harbour, is on page 4.

GIRL ROBBED.

FIVE MEN CHARGED AT SESSIONS.

BANGLES TAKEN.

Five men alleged to have been concerned in a robbery from a party of girls on the way to the railway station between Mongkok and Hangchow appeared at the Criminal Sessions this morning, a charge common to all being conspiracy to rob and two other charges of stealing and receiving stolen goods being preferred against two of the men. These latter were alternative charges explained by Mr. A. Dyer Ball, prosecuting.

The case was heard before Mr. Justice Wood and a jury.

One of the summoned jurors, Mr. L. B. Warren, failed to appear when his name was called.

Outlining the case, Mr. Dyer Ball, for the Attorney-General, explained the incidents which led to the charge, these occurring on July 14. The girls were returning from the West to the East side of Kowloon, peninsula walking on foot along the railway path. "As they came up to the bridge they noticed a man sitting on the rails of the bridge and suddenly he seized one of the girls by the wrist, forcing her to the ground and taking bangles from her arms. This man was joined by others and the girls took to their heels up the hillside, returning later when the men had gone with the bangles and also a pair of earrings which they had taken from the other girl. A report was made almost at once at the police station.

The stolen bangle had been traced by means of a goldsmith to whom the first prisoner had gone to get money for the bangle. The prisoner told the goldsmith that the bangles were his wife's and that she was getting rid of them as they were too light. To ascertain the value of the bangles the goldsmith removed the gold from them but in spite of this the girl from whom the bangles had been taken was able to recognise them as her property. The first prisoner received \$12.10 cents for the bangles.

The Only Evidence.

The other prisoners had all been arrested subsequently and had made statements admitting having been on the scene and implicating each other in the robbery. The only evidence against three of the prisoners, in fact, said Mr. Dyer Ball, was the statements they had made to the police.

The first prisoner had stated that he was a farmer at Shatin and that he was near the scene when the robbery took place. He had been taken there by the No. 2 prisoner. He took no part in the robbery and advised the girls to make a report at Mongkok police station. He was afterwards asked by the No. 2 prisoner to take a gold bangle to be valued and he did so retaining some of the money he got as payment for a debt owed him by No. 2 prisoner.

Certain discrepancies in his statement as first made to the police and when at the Magistracy were commented on by Mr. Dyer Ball who also referred to the fact that prisoner admitted that his suspicions were aroused and that the No. 2 prisoner told him that "if anything happened about the bangles it would be nothing to do with him" (first prisoner).

Statements made by the other prisoners were read, all admitting their presence at the scene and implicating others, the No. 2 prisoner being indicated as the instigator. One of prisoners said that the proceeds from the sale of the bangle were divided amongst them.

At the Sessions hearing this morning the No. 2 prisoner, although pleading not guilty to the charge of conspiring with others to rob, admitting taking the bangle himself. He denied taking the earrings. It had not been possible to recover the earrings, it was mentioned by Mr. Dyer Ball. The case is proceeding.

SIR L. GUILLEMARD.

AN OPERATION FOR APPENDICITIS.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Singapore, August 17.

The Governor of the Straits Settlements, Sir Laurence Guillemard, has been operated on for appendicitis. He is progressing satisfactorily.

CHOLERA DEATH?

MEMBER OF A.P.C. STAFF AT CANTON.

LATE MR. J. W. LEE.

News was received in Hongkong this morning of the death at Shanghai of Mr. J. W. Lee, a member of the staff of the Asiatic Petroleum Company in Canton.

Death is believed to have been due to cholera.

Mr. Lee, who was a single man, was well known amongst the European community at Canton and Shanghai. He had served with the A.P.C. prior to the war and took up his duties with the Company at Canton after its conclusion.

Full details have not been received in the Colony up to the present and consequently, time and date of funeral cannot be given at present.

STRANDED.

PENANG EURASIAN IN HONGKONG.

Robert Jim Mudda, 26 years of age, was brought before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy this morning for being found in the Colony without employment.

In applying for a committal to the House of Detention for further enquiries to be made, Det. Sergeant Elston said that the man was a Eurasian from Penang and had been in Shanghai for the past two years. He was somewhat of a mystery at present, as he knew nobody in Hongkong and had no papers.

A committal order was made by the Magistrate.

FRESH RAY.

MINERS TO REOPEN NEGOTIATIONS.

A NATIONAL BASIS.

London, Aug. 17.
The miners' delegate conference authorised the Executive to seek means of re-opening the negotiations with the coal owners and the Government and report the result of the negotiations to a future conference.

It was further resolved that all negotiations for a settlement must be of a national character and not by districts settlement. —Reuter.

[Further cabled references to the conference will be found elsewhere in this issue.]

STOLEN W. TCH.

WARY PAWN BROKER ASSISTS POLICE.

The theft of a gold wristlet watch by an amah while her mistress was away from her house at Percival Street visiting a relative was the subject of a charge against the woman before Mr. R. E. Lindsay at the Central Magistracy this morning.

The facts as outlined by Div. Inspector Blackman were that the woman was suspected of being the thief and turned out of the house.

A pawnbroker bought the watch to the Police St. on the following day and made a statement that he sent back a woman (who was recognised by him as the defendant in court) to fetch her mistress before accepting the article, as he had his suspicions. A report of the loss was made later in the day and the article was identified by the owner as her property.

Defendant was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

LAW FLOUTED.

PRISONER RESCUED FROM POLICE.

A serious charge of obstructing the police in the execution of their duty was made against a Chinese at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Evidence was given to the effect that a Chinese constable arrested a hawker at Jervois Street when the defendant intervened and pulled the man away, at the same time dealing the constable a blow which made him release his prisoner.

Defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

TRAFFIC CASES.

CHINESE DRIVERS SUMMONED IN COURT.

OFFENDERS FINED.

Reference to overtaking a tram car travelling in an easterly direction and a collision by cutting in front of it by a taxicab driver was made by Sub-Inspector Alexander in a summons case against the driver of the latter vehicle for reckless driving.

The incident was stated to have happened at the junction of Des Voeux Road and Jackson Road where there was plenty of room for the motor vehicle to proceed without fouling the tram lines.

Defendant, who had a clear record, had no explanation to offer, and was fined \$20.

Inspector Hurl, of the Dangerous Goods Office, was a witness and complainant in a summons against a Chinese driver for failing to report an accident.

Complainant stated that he was driving a motor cycle combination down Arbuthnot Road when the splash board of the car struck him and cut his ankle. Defendant, who was stated to have been aware of the accident, drove away and failed to report it.

The penalty in this case was \$10.

Not Under Control.

The case against the driver of a motor lorry was that he had no control of his vehicle with three men huddled close beside him and seated on each other's lap. Defendant admitted the charge and was fined \$10.

A. REBUKE.

BRITISH EXPORT METHODS CONTROVERSY.

"CONCRETE EVIDENCE."

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."] Sir—Your correspondent signing himself "Britisher" complains that a big London illustrated daily newspaper recently addressed a specimen copy of their paper to a late employee in his office who died some four and half years ago.

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Representative in South China of the Federation of British Industries.

Hongkong, August 18.

SPANISH MISSION.

SUMMONS IN KOWLOON COURT.

Non-compliance with an order issued to the Procurator of the Spanish Dominican Procurator by the Sanitary Department, led the Procurator appearing before Mr. J. H. R. Nihil at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The Procurator was served with an order to clean the drainage pipe of a building belonging to the Procurator, which (it is alleged) was not executed.

Mr. H. C. Macnamara, for the defence, said that the order was not received by the Procurator, and that his client was willing to fulfil any order given to him by the Sanitary Department. The case was dismissed.

ALLEGED MURDER.

EARLY MORNING SCENE AT ABERDEEN.

HUSBAND CHARGED.

The relations between the prisoner and his wife whom he is alleged to have murdered were referred to this morning in the Supreme Court when a Chinese appeared before Sir H. C. Gollan in Criminal Sessions proceedings.

The scene of the alleged murder was Wu Pak Street, Aberdeen, and the weapon alleged to have been used, a chisel. The prisoner's occupation had formerly been that of a carpenter.

The Attorney-General, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, said that they had been unable to find a real motive for the alleged murder. There was evidence as to some quarrels but as to no rupture which could be held to constitute a motive for the act. Four witnesses belonging to the family would speak as to the relations between the man and the deceased woman and the eldest son as to what happened early on the morning of June 21 when the woman sustained the injuries from which she died.

Plans of the house and neighbourhood were produced and the Attorney-General referred particularly to stains of blood on the bed where the deceased had been lying, also similar stains on the floor. Blood had, in fact, trickled through to the floor below.

The couple in question had been married about 20 years and had one daughter and five sons. Prisoner had not been living with his wife for some time. Since he left his carpentering work at Aberdeen he had lived with his brother-in-law and had contributed nothing to his wife's support. He visited his wife sometimes and there had been quarrels about the two younger sons but nothing very serious.

Awakened By Cry.

It was between five and six o'clock on the morning in question that the occupants of the house at Aberdeen were awakened by a cry and it would appear from witnesses that the husband was seen standing by the woman's bed. The woman was observed to get out of the bed and walk for a short way and one of the sons observed that she was bleeding. Police whistles were blown and the prisoner was arrested outside the house.

The woman had a severe wound in her throat and died at the Government Civil Hospital the following day. When charged in the first place with wounding and doing grievous bodily harm the prisoner said "it was because she had been circulating particulars about the date of my daughter's birth without my knowledge. My daughter ran away for several days and I wanted my wife to look for her and bring her back." The statement also went on to make allegations with regard to the character of the dead woman and to admit that prisoner "used a chisel on her."

The Attorney-General said that the prisoner had changed his story when the woman died and he was charged with murder. In a statement made then he alleged that the woman had held the chisel and had attempted to strike him with it, as a result of which a struggle took place and the deceased woman stuck the chisel into her throat. He further stated that he was on his way to the police station to make a report but a crowd collected and he was arrested before he had the opportunity.

Formal evidence as to the nature of the wounds and the discovery of bloodstains on a piece of cloth wrapped round the haft of the chisel, also on a jacket, was given by Dr. M. D. Minnett.

Cross-examined by Mr. Hing Shing Lo, counsel for the defence, Dr. Minnett said that the stains were too faint for him to say with any degree of certainty whether the bloodstains were human or not.

The case is proceeding.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

CHINA COTTON.

There is a succession of firm markets, in China Cotton, prices on the whole ruled about half a ton higher than that prevailing during the previous period, state Messrs. J. Spunt and Co., in their weekly report on the local cotton market. The principal factor contributive to the strengthening of the local market was the continued drought in many important sections of the cotton belt, though little complaint of damage has been thus far received. It is generally believed that the crop is now two to three weeks later than normal.

As to the future trend of the market, such will depend almost entirely on new crop advices, however, in the event of continuance of the very dry atmospheric conditions now being experienced, some further advance in the rates would seem probable, but with a period of rainy weather intervening the situation would change quickly.

Yarn.

During the past week there has been no change in the fundamental conditions of the yarn market. Fluctuations were within narrow limits, but with a firm tendency at the close of the week. In all some 7,000 to 8,000 bales of local spinnings have been booked for export and about 6,000 bales direct booking with the mills has been recorded.

GERMAN DYES INTO JAPAN.

Tokyo, Aug. 7.—The Foreign Office has issued a statement announcing that an understanding has been reached between representatives of the Japanese Government and Herr Weiber, representing the German dye industry, regarding the importation of Japanese dyes into Japan. The statement concluded by expressing the belief that the new commercial treaty between Germany and Japan will be amicably and speedily concluded as the most difficult problem connected with it will thus have been cleared away—Pacific Service.

IN SHANGHAI.

The "China Press" of August 8 writes:—Land values in Shanghai, especially in the International Settlement, have increased within the last 10 years, from 14 per cent to as high as 122 per cent. The percentage of increase varies according to location and the specific purpose for which the land is used. The highest increase, 122 per cent, has been registered in the land for ordinary stores between Chekiang and Honan Roads, and the lowest increase, 14 per cent, in the land in the central section for department stores.

Price of Shanghai Real Estate in Taels.

Kind of Land	1915	1925	per cent.	1915	1925	per cent.
First-class land on the Bund	250,000	300,000	20	200,000	250,000	25
First-class land for business office	175,000	225,000	61	125,000	175,000	40
Land in the Central Section for department stores	200,000	250,000	24	175,000	200,000	14
First-class land for Chinese stores and shops	200,000	300,000	50	150,000	250,000	66
Land for ordinary stores	20,000	45,000	122	15,000	30,000	100
Residence for foreigners	15,000	25,000	63	7,500	10,000	33
Highest Real Estate	200,000	300,000	50			
Wharf Land along Whangpoo River beyond the Bund	70,000	100,000	42	30,000	40,000	33
First-class factory land	3,000	5,000	65	1,500	2,000	33
Ordinary factory land	1,500	1,500	50	800	1,000	25
Farming land outside the Settlement	400	500	25	200	300	50

(1) between Chekiang and Honan Roads.

(2) within Carter and Mohawk Roads.

Assessed Land Value Per Mow in the Settlement.	Highest (in Taels)	Lowest (in Taels)	1924	1916	Location	1924	1916
Section Nanking Rd. & The Bund	200,000	110,000	Chekiang & Amoy Rd	20,000	13,000		
Northern North Yangtze Road	70,000	50,000	Kiahsing Rd	8,000	400		
Western Bubbling Well Thibet Rd.	42,000	18,000	Around Boundary	1,000	500		
Eastern Broadway	55,000	32,000	Boundary	1,000	100		

TO DEVELOP MANCHURIA.

Mukden, Aug. 8.—Reports received by Governor Mo Teh-hui of Mukden province, from various provincial officials show that there are approximately 34,181,420 mu or about 2,136,340 acres of undeveloped land in the Three Eastern Provinces.

Shanghai, Aug. 7.—The price of rice went up yesterday, closing quotations being \$16.10 to \$18.10 per picul.

S.M.C. ELECTRICITY PROFITS.

Notwithstanding the diminished sales—due to the three months strike—last year's trading yielded to the Shanghai Municipal Council's Electricity Department a net profit, after payment of interest and other net revenue charges, of Tls. 1,419,689 or Tls. 404,489 above the estimated profit of Tls. 1,015,200.

The total sales of electricity were 294,343,905 kilowatt-hours as compared with 307,307,401 in 1924, a reduction of 4.22 per cent. This loss was to be expected and the reduction might well have been much bigger as a large proportion of the mills and other industrial power users' plants were closed throughout the strike period, whilst the remainder were closed down for over two months.

The additional profit of four lakhs of taels made by the department over the estimated profit for the year, is exceptionally satisfactory, says the Council Report for last year, since it has been made notwithstanding the reduction in the price charged for lighting and heating of 15.38 per cent, and 14.28 per cent, respectively, which was introduced in January 1925.

The financial standing of the Department at the end of last year is as follows:—

Capital outlay of the Undertaking Tls. 30,403,006.

Capital outlay on plant actually in use Tls. 29,662,331.

Return on Capital outlay actually in use 10.59 per cent.

Revenue from sales of electricity, hire of motors, etc. Tls. 8,425,511.

Gross profit (after allowing for depreciation) Tls. 3,081,661.

Net profit after provision for interest on loans and other net revenue expenditure Tls. 1,419,689.

Ipo, August 6.—A London cable received to-day announces the flotation of the Perak Hydro-Electric Company Incorporated, about 50 per cent. of the shares were taken by the underwriters and are now at a slight discount. It is pointed out, however, that when work is commenced quotations will improve. Local comment entirely blames the niggardly advertising of the prospectus.

BANK SUSPENDS PAYMENT.

The Yno Ginko, in Minami, Kawachigun, Osaka-fu, whose Branch manager, Kameyama, Takahashi Tarabei, a member of the Osaka Prefectural Assembly and President of the Omine Cable Car Company, was arrested on the 26th ultimo for alleged misappropriation of cash belonging to the two concerns, suspended payment on the 27th ultimo for a week. The bank, as already reported, had been suffering a run.

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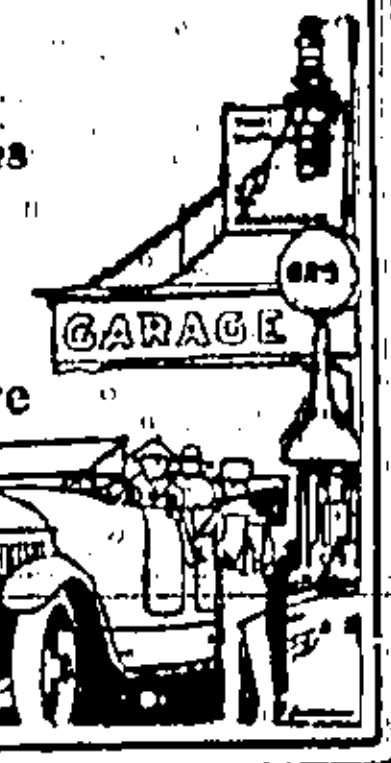
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FOOD THAT KILLS.

**POISONING—ITS CAUSE AND
PREVENTION.**

With the reappearance of the
sun has come this year's first
serious outbreak of so-called food
poisoning, says J. B. S. Haldane
(Reader in Bio-Chemistry, Cam-
bridge University), in the "Daily
Mail." The large majority of cases
occur during warm weather, and
this summer we may expect an un-
usually large number owing to the
coal stoppage. For the most part
safeguards that we have against
this danger are the kitchen range
and the gas-cooker.

England is fortunate in produc-
ing very few, naturally poisonous
foods. Occasionally a poisonous
fungus is found among a batch of
mushrooms, and in 1921 three
women in Liverpool nearly died
from eating mutton stuffed with
sage which contained belladonna
leaves. But in Japan nearly a
hundred people die every year from
eating a poisonous fish, the fugu;
and Cuba boasts of no fewer than
seventy-two different species of fish
which may cause death or illness.

This country has seen a few out-
breaks of arsenic, zinc, and copper
poisoning, mostly in beer or cider,
including the terrible catastrophe in
1900, which killed at least
seventy people and affected nearly
ten thousand. But in more than
nine cases out of ten the poison is
made by bacteria, much the com-
monest source being an organism
called *Bacillus erythrice*.

Destroyed By Cooking.
Many bacteria manufacture
toxins, but fortunately these are
generally destroyed by boiling or
by the digestive juices. Diphtheria
and tetanus toxins are deadly if
injected, but, like snake venoms,
they are harmless when taken by
the mouth or injected after heat-
ing.

The bacteria which cause ordi-
nary putrefaction are almost harm-
less to adults when taken by the
mouth, and though if allowed to
act on food for a sufficiently long
time they produce moderately
poisonous substances called
ptomaines, it would require a very
heroic bacteriologist to eat meat
rotten enough to contain a fatal or
even dangerous dose of them. In-
spite of the verdicts at several in-
quests it is extremely unlikely that
anyone has ever died of ptomaine
poisoning.

The *Bacillus erythrice* and its
allies, however, make a poison
which resists both cooking and
digestion. If the contaminated
food has been cooked after its in-
fection the bacteria are dead, but
the poison remains. When the food
is eaten it causes intense vomiting
and other symptoms of digestive
upset, but very rarely death. If
the living germs are swallowed,
they grow for some time in the
patient, and may continue to man-
ufacture their poisons for a week
or more.

Death is a good deal commoner
in these cases, but even here the
vast majority recover completely.
The source of the poison is the
rotten food in about half the cases,
and it is particularly interesting
that fifteen out of the last sixteen
tins of meat causing poisoning in

England came from South America,
although only about half of our
tinned meat comes from that coun-
try. Potted meat, meat pies, and
other products made from scraps of
meat come next on the list, but
milk, ice cream, and cheese are also
occasionally poisonous.

Vegetables and fresh meat are
much more rarely dangerous. In
almost all cases the food has ap-
peared to be perfectly sound, and
gave no warning either by taste or
smell.

Deadliest Known Poison.

How do the bacteria reach the
food? It is almost always infected
after cooking, and the bacteria are
then given time to grow before it
is eaten.

Pigs, mice and rats seem to be
the most usual sources of infection,
though occasionally human beings
and cattle have been incriminated.
In many cases the poisonous meat
had been kept in filthy conditions.

Much food poisoning could un-
doubtedly be prevented if the manu-
facture of ice cream and "made-
up" meat foods were only permit-
ted in licensed and properly in-
spected places.

The most serious kind of food
poisoning is botulism, of which
only one outbreak has been record-
ed in Britain. Eight people ate
"wild-duck" paste sandwiches at
Lech Marze in 1922 and all died
from a paralysis which began in
the muscles of their eyes and
spread until they were unable to
breathe.

The poison is made by a bacillus
which can only live in the absence
of oxygen. It is therefore mainly
found in tinned or bottled foods,
but occasionally in the interior of
sausages and hams. Botulinus
toxin is the most poisonous of all
known substances when taken by
the mouth. About sixty pounds of
it would probably be sufficient to
kill the entire human race. For-
tunately, it is destroyed by cook-
ing.

In America, most of the hundreds
of cases on record have been caused
by preserved vegetables, such as
string beans, spinach, olives, and
asparagus, and in view of the large
amounts of American canned
vegetables imported into England
the occurrence of an outbreak from
this source is only a question of
time.

To sum up, a great deal can and
should be done to check food con-
tamination at its sources, but
nothing except some minutes' in-
sertion in boiling water can render
food in tin, stoneware or glass con-
tainers absolutely safe for human
consumption.

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WORLD THEATRE.

**"ENEMY OF MAN" TO-DAY &
TO-MORROW.**

Dorothy Ravier, with Cullen
Landis, is featured in the Waldorf
release "Enemy of Man," which
will be played at the World
Theatre to-day and to-morrow.
A number of other well-known
players are in the supporting
cast, including Charles Clary, Leo
White, Barbara Luddy, Cesare
Gravina, Virginia Marshall, and
Laura LaVarni, under Frank
Strayer's direction, from the
story by Douglas Bronston.

"Enemy of Man" concerns the
devotion of a sister for her al-
most helpless younger sister, who
is misguided and marries a brutal
politician. As a result of the
younger sister's series of misfor-
tunes the older sister becomes in-
tensely bitter, and capitalising her
beauty she sets out to make all
men pay for the vicious acts of
one. Because of her powerful ap-
peal innumerable men of wealth
pursue her and give her a tribute
of jewels.

There are a number of large
sets shown, reproductions of the
finest modiste shops. Also, an
entire section of New York slums
was reproduced to obtain the
essential elements for this drama.

**SUIT AGAINST P. I.
GOVERNMENT.**

Cebu, August 7.—The province
of Cebu plans to file a suit against
the insular government in view of
the refusal of the director of lands
to turn over to the province the
title to lands acquired by the pro-
vince some time ago from the Friar
Lands Estate. Local officials say
that the province paid the insular
government for these lands in 1912,
but Director Vargas has said that
the title to the lands can not be
transferred to the province in view
of the fact that the law does not
permit any province to own lands
unless the same are used for public
improvements.

The suit would involve P2,000,
000.

SUN'S PHASES.

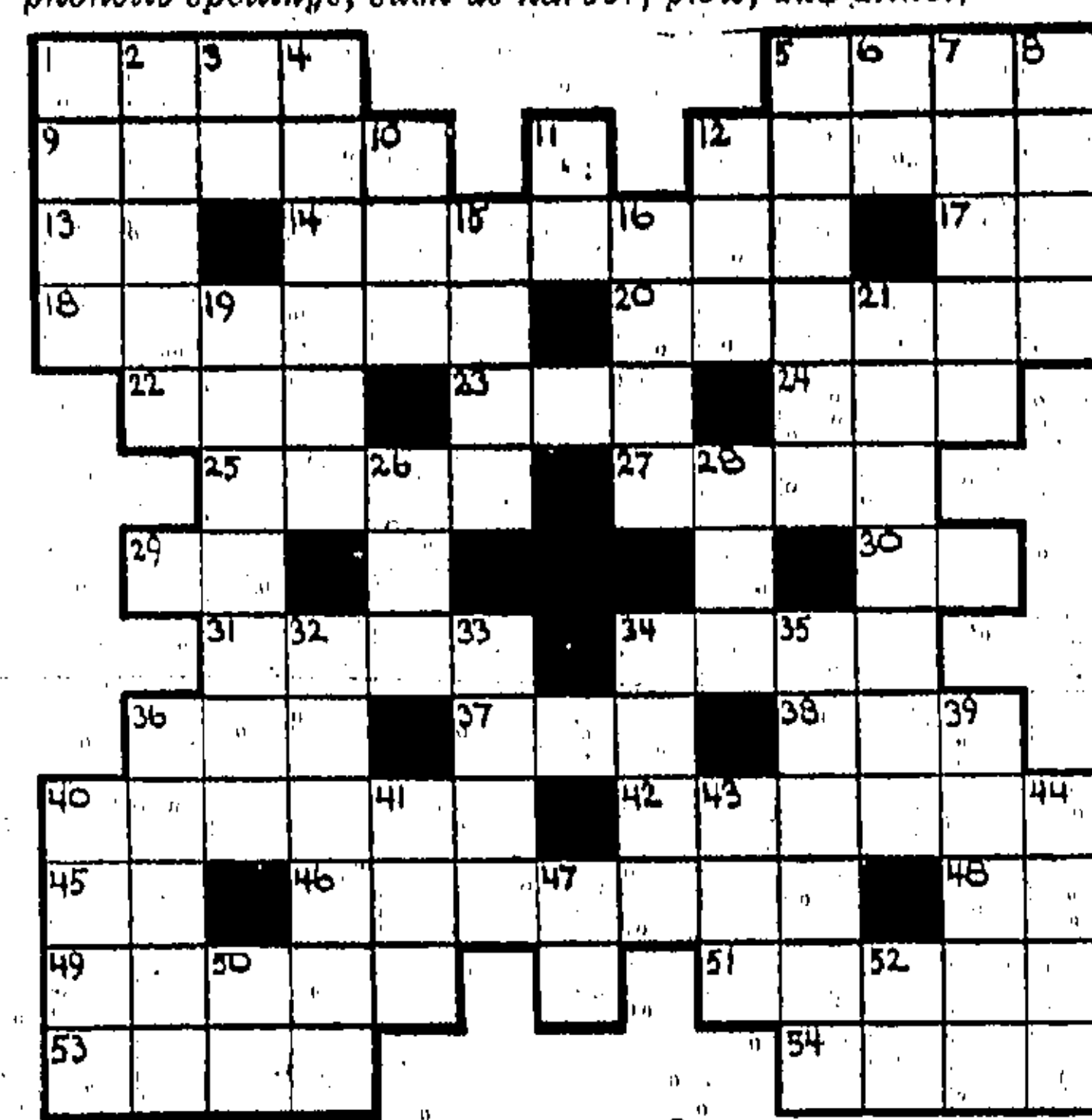
Calendar for August.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hongkong
for August, 1926. (Standard Time
of the 120th Meridian, East of
Greenwich).

Date.	Sunrise	Sunset
August.	a.m.	p.m.
18	6.01	6.53
19	6.02	6.52
20	6.02	6.52
21	6.02	6.51
22	6.03	6.50
23	6.03	6.49
24	6.03	6.48
25	6.03	6.47
26	6.04	6.46
27	6.04	6.45
28	6.04	6.44
29	6.04	6.43
30	6.05	6.43
31	6.05	6.42

OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional
phonetic spellings, such as harbor, pious, and altho.)



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|---|--|--|
| HORIZONTAL
1-A footed animal
5-Suffix. Footed
9-A druggist's fluid
12-A tree
13-Prefix. Form of
14-To give visible
representation to
17-Like
18-To make spotted
20-To smother
22-A diminutive suffix
23-Anger
24-High (Mys.)
25-An inland sea,
Russian Turkestan
27-Queen of Carthage
29-Article
30-Toward
31-Stream
32-Venomous serpent
(ph)
36-A number
37-To, out effort
38-Uncooked
40-A pantry | HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
42-A compound of
bromin
45-American Institute
(abbr.)
48-To obtain in a free
state (stem.)
48-B. State of
U. S. (abbr.)
49-Single persons or
things
51-A food fish
53-Old spelling of
"dear"
54-Ancient capital of
Persia
VERTICAL
1-Among
2-Oriental dish of rice,
meat, etc.
3-Upon
4-Group of stars,
constellation of the
Great Bear
5-One of the Pielades
6-Boyle's name (short)
7-Distributed
8-The Irish Gaelic
10-A wire measure | VERTICAL (Cont.)
11-Pronoun
12-Skill
13-To line the roof of
16-Employed
18-Owner of a planta-
tion
21-Any object floating
on the sea
26-Conjunction
28-"It is" (constr.)
32-To put into writing
33-A river in Spain
34-Father
35-Prelude
36-A French oriole and
thirliarian
39-Written wishes or
desires
40-To extol
41-Ending of feminine
nouns
43-Religious tract
44-Known facts
47-Behold
50-Prefix. Form of
"in"
52-Prefix. Well; good |
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SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES
Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure.
These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn
to still others. A letter begins in each white space, words starting at the
numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will
appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word
puzzle.)

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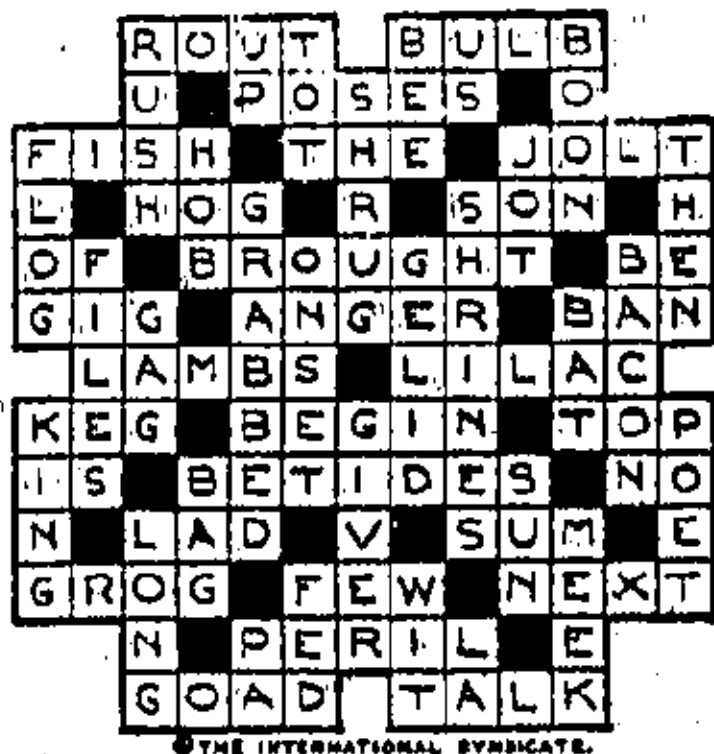
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Mainland.	
Taimoehan	8124
Kowloon Peak	1971

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elastic, and the complexion bright
and smooth. Think of the bless-
ings of perfect health, the posses-
sion of few; the Joy of a clear
Youthful appearance and tingling
blood, of lustrous hair, bright eyes
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beauty of radiant life and the
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RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore,
Colombo, Durban & Capetown.
MONTEVIDEO MARU Friday 3rd September.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.
HAMBURG MARU Thursday, 19th August.
TACOMA MARU Friday, 3rd September.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.
SANKU MARU Wednesday, 25th August.
BANGKOK—Via Saigon.
KOHNO MARU Monday, 30th August.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Shanghai and Japan
Ports.
AFRICA MARU (From Shanghai) Wednesday 18th August.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR &
MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.
CHICAGO MARU Friday, 10th September.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama.
ARGON MARU (From Keelung) End of September.
JAPAN PORTS
ALASKA MARU Thursday, 19th August.
KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.
KADU MARU Sunday, 22nd August noon.
BOZAN MARU Sunday, 29th August Noon.
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.
KOTSU MARU Wednesday, 25th Aug. 10 a.m.
TAKAO and KEELUNG.
KOHOKU MARU Wednesday, 18th August.
GANGES MARU Wednesday 25th August.
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M.S. "JAVA" 15th September
M.S. "AFRIKA" 15th October
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M.S. "AFRIKA" 8th December
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LEAP FROM SHIP.

STIRRING INCIDENT IN
HARBOUR.

FOUR MEN JAILED.

Police and R.O.'s Capture
Fugitives.A jump into the harbour, a
fruitless swim in flight, and ulti-
mate capture by the law—such
were the experiences of four men
who are now in jail regretting their
enterprise in stealing a march on
the authorities.These events occurred early
yesterday morning, on the arrival
into port of the s.s. "Amazon."
When officers boarded the ship,
the fugitives fled in different direc-
tions and jumped into the harbour.
As a matter of fact three took to
the water, to be picked up, while
one deemed discretion the better
part of valour.

Exemplary Sentence.

The sequel was an interesting pro-
secution at the Marine Court this
morning and an exemplary sentence
by the Magistrate (Lt.-Com. G. V.
Hole, R.N.).Defendants were all described as
boatmen. Their calling is com-
bined with the duty of acting as
runners for native boarding houses.
Revenue Officer W. Ward told the
Court how he, and other officers,
boarded the ship, when she was in
the quarantine anchorage, meeting
the doctor as he was leaving the
gangway.This witness arrested one man
who was afterwards seen swim-
ming; and saw two others rush at
and dive overboard. The first de-
fendant was picked up by a motor-
boat.

Capture Completed.

The charge was of going on
board a vessel in the quarantine
anchorage, without permission.Acting "Sub-Inspector" G. A.
Munro of the Water Police testi-
fied to being in a police launch,
seeing the first defendant picked
up, and to the "Amazon" being in
the quarantine anchorage. On his
boarding the ship, the master cer-
tified that none of the men had
permission; and the other three de-
fendants were handed over to him.The two other swimmers were
picked up by the pilot's sampan.
Revenue Officer H. V. Pearce
gave corroborative evidence, he also
being in the search party.The evidence was that the defen-
dants were seen on board prior to
the quarantine flag coming down.

Sld. Not Dived.

This, the defendants denied.
They maintained that they board-
ed after the flag had come down.
One said he dived because he was
frightened of the Police. Another
blamed a rope as being too long,
hence his being in the water to ad-
just it. The third maintained that
he did not jump, he slid down a
rope to the sampan.His Worship, after emphasising
the seriousness of the offence, passed
sentence of six months' hard
labour each, without the option of
a fine.

JAPAN AND AUXILIARY SHIPS.

Tokyo, August 9.
Admiral Takeshi Takarabe, min-
ister of the navy decided to post-
pone increasing the naval air force
in order to permit the construction
of auxiliary warships to proceed.
It had been planned to increase the
air force to two full corps and a
half instead of its present strength
of 1½ corps.This will give the navy depart-
ment about a million dollars with
which to complete its ship con-
struction programme. Naval au-
thorities are still annoyed at the
retrenchment policy of the Wakut-
suki cabinet, which caused post-
ponement of their programme at
the last session of the diet and they
intend to put up a strong fight for
more money at the approaching
session.—"United Press."

LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S ARRIVALS AND
CLEARANCES.

THE MORNING LIST.

This morning, the following
sea-going arrivals at Hongkong
were reported:—Kidderpore (3263) Br. from
Karachi, Colombo; M. M. & Co.
Hydrangea (561) Br. from
Kwangchow-wan; Chui On.
Kwangchow (1572) Br. from
Bangkok; B. & S.
Kwongsang (1428) Br. from
Shanghai, Foochow; J. M. & Co.
Mingsang (969) Br. from Hal-
phong; J. M. & Co.
Benrackle (4172) Br. from
Leith, Singapore; Gibb, Livingstone
& Co.
Talkoo Wan Yi (1876) Br. from
Hongay; B. & S.
Haihong (1270) Br. from Soo-
chow, Amoy; Douglas Co.
Broad Arrow (4760) Am. from
Sabon, Calcutta; Standard Oil.
Pres. McKinley (8400) Br. from
Manila; Dollar Line.
Anazone (3964) Fr. from Mar-
seilles, Saigon; M.M.
Balguerie Stutenberg (596) Fr.
from Saigon; no local agent.
Van Overstraten (2837) Dutch,
from Amoy; J.C.J.L.
Konigsberg (3973) Ger. from
Bremen, Singapore; Melchers.
Pennan Maru (3230) Jap. from
Calcutta, Singapore; N.Y.K.
Toyooka Maru (4388) Jap. from
Bombay, Singapore; N.Y.K.
Wong Shek Kung (860) Chi. from
Saigon; Kwong Hang Hin.
Departures.
For Tjilottja: Ryufuku Maru.
For San Francisco: Broad Arrow.
For Takao: Kohoku Maru.
For Amoy: Teli, Haihong, Kaying.
For Shanghai: Amazon, Toyooka
Maru, Kidderpore, Konigsberg.
For Surabaya: Tjilwong.
For Weihaiwei: Kueichow.
For Manila: Pres. Hayes.
Clearance.
For Kwongchow-wan: Song Bo.
For Miri: Anatina.
For Batavia: Cheribon Maru.
For Takao: Benrackle.
For Manila: Changte.
For Tsingtao: Yelun Maru.
For Shanghai: Pennan Maru.

SHIPS IN PORT.

At 9 a.m. to-day the following
numbers of vessels were in
port:—British 25
American 1
Panama 1
German 1
Norwegian 1
Japanese 5
Chinese 11
Dutch 7
Portuguese 2
French 2
Total 56Shanghai having been declared
an infected port, all passengers
travelling either third-class or
steerage by the Canadian Pacific,
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Line, going beyond Shanghai, will
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dous and/or extra hazardous Go-
downs of the Hongkong and Kow-
loon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.,
whence, and/or from the wharves,
delivery may be obtained.No claims will be admitted after
the goods have left the godowns,
and all goods remaining undeliver-
ed after the 24th instant will be
subject to rent.All claims against the steamer
must be presented to the Under-
signed on or before the 7th
September, 1926 or they will not
be recognized.All broken, chafed, and damaged
goods are to be left in the Go-
downs, where they will be examined
on the 24th instant at 10 a.m.No Fire Insurance has been
effected.Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed byGIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
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Hongkong, 17th August, 1926.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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THE Steamship

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having arrived, Consignees of Cargo
by her are informed that all Goods
are being landed at their risk into
the hazardous and/or extra-
hazardous Godowns of Holt's
Wharf, whence delivery may be
obtained.No Claims will be admitted after
the Goods have left the Godowns,
and all Goods remaining undeliver-
ed after 23rd August, 1926, will be
subject to rent.All Claims against the Steamer
must be presented to the Under-
signed on or before 31st August,
1926, or they will not be recognized.All broken, chafed and damaged
Goods are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined on any
Tuesdays or Fridays, between the
hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon,
within the "Free Storage" period of
One Week.No Fire Insurance has been
effected.Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed byTHE BANK LINE, LTD.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 16th August, 1926.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Karmala" from
Hongkong arrived London on
August 16, at noon.The P. & O. s.s. "Malwa" left
Singapore for this port on August
15 at 9 a.m. with the outward
English Mails, and is due here to-
morrow at about 8 a.m.The B. L. s.s. "Benavon" from
Middlesbro', Antwerp, London and
Straits is due to arrive here on
August 21.The B. I. s.s. "Santhia" left
Singapore for this port on August
16 at p.m. and is due here on
August 21 at p.m.The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of
Canada" arrived at Yokohama on
August 16 at 8 a.m. left Yokohama
on August 16 at 6 p.m. and is due
at Hongkong on August 23.The E. & A. s.s. "St. Albans" left
Sydney for this port on August 14
at a.m. with the outward Australian
Mails, and is due here on Septem-
ber 6.

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STEAMERS	HONGKONG LEAVE	SHANGHAI LEAVE	Kobe LEAVE	Yokohama LEAVE	VANCOUVER ARRIVE
Empress of Asia.	Aug. 19	Aug. 22	Aug. 25	Aug. 28	Sept. 6
Empress of Canada.	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	Sept. 8	Sept. 11	Sept. 20
Empress of Russia.	Sept. 16	Sept. 19	Sept. 22	Sept. 25	Oct. 4
Empress of Asia.	Oct. 14	Oct. 17	Oct. 20	Oct. 23	Nov. 1
Empress of Canada.	Oct. 29	Oct. 31	Nov. 3	Nov. 6	Nov. 15
Empress of Russia.	Nov. 11	Nov. 14	Nov. 17	Nov. 20	Nov. 29

(E/Asia and E/Russia call at Nagasaki the day
after departure from Shanghai).

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Leave HONGKONG	Arrive MANILA	Leave MANILA	Arrive HONGKONG
Aug. 25 Sept. 8	Aug. 27 Sept. 10	E/Canada E/Russia	Aug. 28 Sept. 11 Aug. 30 Sept. 13

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Hongkong	Departure	THURSDAY	Aug. 26
Sandakan	Arrival	MONDAY	Aug. 30
Lahad Datu	Departure	TUESDAY	Aug. 31
Tawau	Arrival	WEDNESDAY	Sept. 1
Semporna	Departure	THURSDAY	Sept. 2
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MALWA	10,541	24th Sept.	Marseilles and London
KASHGAR	9,005	24th Oct.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
MOREA	10,518	24th Oct.	Marseilles & London
KHYBER	9,114	30th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MANUFA	10,502	13th Nov.	Marseilles and London
DEVANHA	8,155	25th Nov.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KARMALA	9,128	27th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MANUFA	10,502	13th Dec.	Marseilles and London
DELTA	8,007	23rd Dec.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
KHIVA	9,135	25th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,541	8th Jan.	Marseilles and London
KALVAN	9,111	22nd Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MOREA	10,518	5th Feb.	Marseilles and London
KASHGAR	9,005	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
MANUFA	10,502	5th March	Marseilles and London
MONGOLIA	10,504	19th March	Marseilles & London
MACEDONIA	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles & London
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TILAWA	10,006	29th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama
KASHGAR	9,005	3rd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,500	7th Sept.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama
TALAMBA	8,018	10th Sept.	Shanghai and Kobe
MOREA	10,518	16th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NYANZA	7,023	20th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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The French s.s. "General Metzinger," which was scheduled to arrive in port this morning, is due at 5 p.m. to-day. Her delay is due to the typhoon which she encountered on her way to Hongkong, and from which she took shelter at Woosung. She will leave for Marseilles at 8 p.m. to-day with 48 cabin passengers.

With only two cabin passengers for Hongkong, the Admiral Oriental Liner "President McKinley" arrived in port at 8 a.m. to-day.

Bound for Australia via Manila, the s.s. "Changte" of the Australian and Oriental Line was despatched to-day at noon with passengers, cargo and mail for Manila and Australia.

At noon to-morrow the R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" will be despatched for Canada via Shanghai and Japanese ports. Passengers for Shanghai will probably go ashore by tender, as it is doubtful whether the liner will go alongside the pier there with the cholera outbreak on shore.

AMERICANS MAKE BERLIN WEALTHY.

Berlin, August 11. Bartenders in this city declare that American tourists are consuming more liquor each year. They say that Americans are no longer innocents abroad and that they exploit their absence from the land of hoosh by drinking huge quantities of choice European wines and German beer.

Fred Bielemann, the barkeeper at the Hotel Adlon, which is frequented by more thirsty Americans than any similar establishment in Central Europe, told the United Press "In recent years, we have been obliged to increase our day and night shifts in order to quench the large and discriminating thirst of thousands of Americans. European bars would suffer grievous losses if the Volstead set were revised."—United Press.

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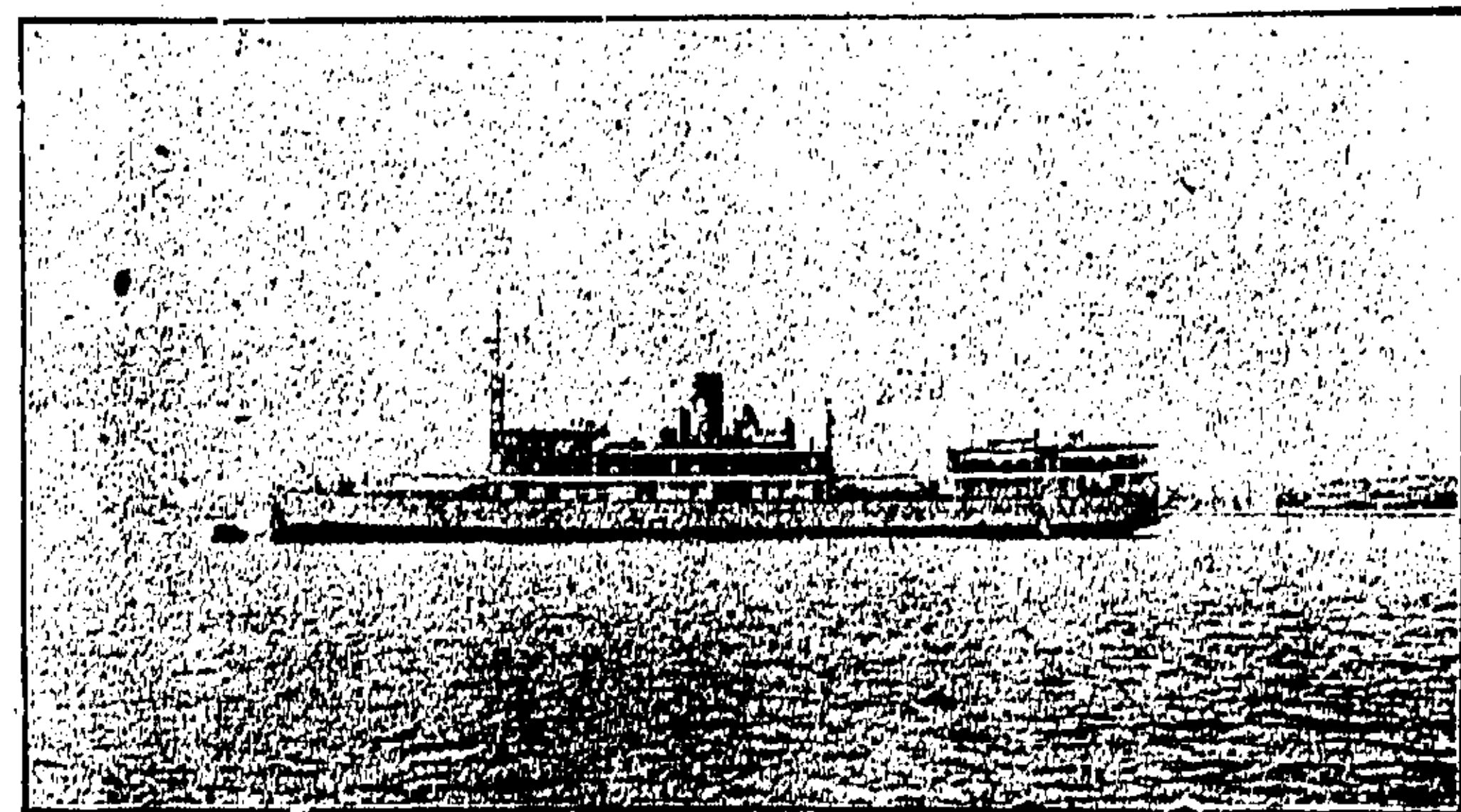
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Tientsin	CHEONGSHING	Sun., 22nd Aug., at 7 a.m.
Haiphong	HONGSANG	Sun., 22nd Aug., at 8 a.m.
Sandakan	HONGSANG	Tues., 24th Aug., at 2 p.m.
Tsingtau via Shanghai	HONGSANG	Wed., 25th Aug., at 3 p.m.
Straits & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Wed., 25th Aug., at 3 p.m.
Haiphong	LEESANG	Sun., 29th Aug., at 8 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	NAMSANG	Mon., 30th Aug., at 3 p.m.
Tsingtau via Shanghai	YATSHING	Wed., 1st Sept., at Noon
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Wed., 1st Sept., at 2 p.m.
Tientsin	CHIPSANG	Fri., 3rd Sept., at Noon
Kobe via Moji	LAISANG	Tues., 7th Sept., at 7 a.m.
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American Atlantic ports 9	10
Montreal	11
	12

The Kawasaki interest is offering rates far cheaper than the above and is absorbing much cargo for America. Conference ships are competing for the transport of lily bulbs from Yokohama to Pacific ports at \$7 a ton, if they are shipped within a fixed period. The freight on porcelain from Nagoya to New York by conference steamers is fixed at \$9, if shipped within a fixed period, and \$10½ otherwise.

Tokyo, August 3.—The "Nishio Maru," which went aground at Nishiro yesterday, is now endeavouring to get off the rocks with the help of salvage vessels. All the crew are safe.

Tokyo, August 3.—The "Hakuno" has been refloated and entered Yokohama this morning.

Foochow has declared Ningpo an infected port on account of cholera.

The vernacular press report preliminary negotiations by the San Peh Co. of Shanghai (with extensive shipping and railway interests), to construct a wharf, etc. in Canton harbour.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

List of passengers per s.s. "Changte" which sailed for Australian Ports, on August 18:—

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Pakes, Mr. and Mrs. B. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Redmond, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Jones and son, Mr. J. Compton, Mr. J. P. Hardy, Mr. E. Precourt, Mrs. J. Rosen, Mr. H. J. Blow, Mr. T. Baillie, Mr. E. W. Leonard, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Best, Miss L. Best, Miss M. Drury, Mr. and Mrs. Colley, Miss K. R. Grant, Miss W. J. B. Deck, Mr. D. H. E. McMaster, Mr. F. L. Cooke, Mr. J. Wray, Mr. S. T. Gough, Mr. E. F. Casey, Mr. and Mrs. T. Hynes, Miss P. Hynes, Miss A. Hynes, Mr. D. Hynes, Master B. Hynes, Mr. Pong, Mr. E. Diouino, Mr. F. H. Dillon, Mr. F. J. Wingrave and Miss Tasartey.

DEPARTURES.

List of passengers departed per s.s. "General Metzinger" from Hongkong, on August 18:—

Mr. J. Tanida, Mr. E. Peter, Mrs. L. M. da Costa Botelho, Miss M. Barretto, Mr. A. D. Barretto, Miss M. da Cruz, Mr. and Mrs. Ebiharu and two children, Mr. S. Mitani, Mr. T. Yamaguchi, Mr. P. Wearne, Mr. Fung Ho-lap, Mr. Tran Co, Mr. Tran Dam, Mrs. Ly Hoi, Melle Chan, Sze, Mme. Chow Sam-kee, Mr. Chan Yuk-fai, Dr. Wan Huang, Mr. C. Roesholm, Mr. K. Nizamuddin, Mr. C. H. Lee, Lieut. Colonel Viana, The Misses Marie, Regina and Barta Viana, Mr. G. Petrequin, Mr. M. Matute, Mr. U. A. da Silva, Mr. A. Gagneur and Mr. J. Lesui.

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List of passengers due in Hongkong to-morrow by the P. & O. s.s. "Malwa," which left London, on July 16, for Hongkong: Mr. T. Armstrong, Mr. B. M. Bacon, Mr. F. D. Burdett, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Green, Mr. C. Hampton, Mr. J. Leverton, Mr. J. H. Marshall, Mrs. A. Mackenzie, Comdr. F. N. Miles, Mr. L. F. Nicholson, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. O'Callaghan, Miss M. A. P. Romburg, Miss S. F. Sutton, Mr. W. T. Savage, Mr. R. S. Spencelagh, Mr. D. Snow, Engineer-Lieut. G. F. Taylor, Mrs. H. L. Wilson, Miss A. Wilson and Mr. C. Willers.



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TOKUSHIMA MARU Monday, 30th August.

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TANGO MARU Friday, 20th August.

SHANGHAI KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

KITANO MARU Tuesday, 24th August.

YAMAGATA MARU Monday, 23rd August.

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PURVES.—On 17th August to Mr.
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daughter.

Hongkong, Wednesday, August 18, 1926.

CANTON'S CONNIVANCE.

It must now be taken for granted
that a deadlock exists in regard
to the negotiations for the settle-
ment of the boycott, and that
little hope exists for any change
from the present position unless
through one of those dramatic
developments for which China is
notorious.

After many months of discreet
silence, maintained with the ex-
cellent object of giving the nego-
tiations every possible chance of
success, freed from the em-
barrassment of criticism, the
voice of Hongkong has again been
heard. His Excellency the Gov-
ernor, in his speech yesterday,
referred to the Canton tangle in
terms that are nothing, if not
significant. There was no beat-
ing about the bush and no leav-
ing the Colony to guess his mean-
ing. In seathing terms he de-
nounced "the attempts made by a
band of organised banditti and
pirates, misnamed the Canton
Strike Committee, to do injury to
this Colony." In plain words he
regretted that "the Canton Gov-
ernment even now has not realis-
ed that the first and essential duty
of a Government is to maintain
law and order." Moreover, his
outspoken criticism of the Canton
Government comes straight from
the shoulder:—

"It connives at organised
piracy and brigandage in the
provincial capital itself, and it
allows an unlawful tyranny to
be imposed by strike pickets
upon the Cantonese people."

This outspoken condemnation of
the Canton Government naturally
recalls the grave warnings ut-
tered by the Governor before the
official negotiations were com-
menced. "His Excellency warned
the Canton Government of the
risks of permitting a breach of
Treaty rights and of attacks upon
British lives and property. That
warning passed unheeded. Then
came the overtures for a settle-
ment of the boycott, which sug-
gested well for a time. Now it would
appear that we are back to the

position in which we were at the
time of the Governor's serious
warning to the Canton Govern-
ment at the beginning of the
year. The infringement of
Treaty rights continues. The
unlawful activities of the Canton
Strike Committee are unabated.
The Canton Government connives
at organised piracy and brigand-
age in the provincial capital
itself!

Nothing is to be gained by en-
deavouring to read into Sir Cecil
Clementi's statement yesterday
something that may not exist.
Nor would it be in the
slightest degree helpful at
the moment to venture on
any surmises as to the reason
for His Excellency himself being
the first to break the long silence
in this Colony in regard to the
boycott. The blame for the con-
tinued activities of the Canton
Strike Committee has once more
being rightly placed on the
shoulders of the Canton Govern-
ment. The Governor's indict-
ment is also a warning, but what
can it lead to if the Canton Gov-
ernment—unrecognised, be it
noted, by the Powers—persists in
being ruled by the misnamed Can-
ton Strike Committee? That is
what we would like to know!

ALLEGED ASSAULT.

SEQUEL TO INCIDENTS ON
"ASIA."

DINING ROOM DISPUTE.

There was a sequel at the Kow-
loon Magistracy yesterday to a
dispute in the dining room of the
"Empress of Asia" which occur-
red prior to the liner's voyage to
Manila. On the return of the
vessel to Hongkong yesterday a
charge of assault brought by the
engine-room store keeper against
the deck storekeeper was heard.
The dispute was stated to have
arisen over a request from an
other member of the staff of the
"Asia" that the butter should be
passed him. Complainant said
that he held the dish in front of
defendant and that as defendant
ignored it he pushed it along to
the other man himself. Defend-
ant said he did not see the dish at
all.

As a sequel to the complainant
pushing the dish across the table
in front of the defendant the
latter was stated to have made a
remark about the dining room not
being a pig sty. The defendant
states that in reply to this the
defendant said he couldn't help it
if pigs had got in and thereupon
he (defendant) pushed complainant's
chair with the result that the
complainant fell to the floor.
Defendant says that all the
complainant's injuries were sus-
tained by the fall and that he did
not assault the complainant. Com-
plainant gave evidence of being
struck in the face repeatedly by
the defendant as a result of which
his spectacles were broken.

Conflicting evidence was given
by other members of the ship's
company, some bearing out what
complainant alleged and others
corroborating defendant's state-
ment. One witness said that
there had been bad feeling be-
tween the parties prior to the
incident in question. The Magis-
trate, Mr. J. H. B. Nihill, said
that he found the complainant
fell to the floor and suffered the
injuries to his face and also his
broken glasses. Legally the de-
fendant was guilty of assault, but
he would not take the usual course
and bind him over. The defend-
ant would pay for the glasses,
the price of which was assessed at
\$5.

DIRE PROPHECIES.

CLAIMS TO FORETELL THE
FUTURE.

A PREACHER VISITOR.

Believing that he is the chosen
instrument of God for conveying
warning of disasters to come, the
Rev. Francis James Highett has
arrived in Hongkong.

Mr. Highett, who claims to have
foretold many events of world-wide
importance prior to their happening
(including the War and its outcome
in the overthrow of the Kaiser,
also the earthquake in Japan and
the recent coal strike) predicts that
the most calamitous period in his-
tory is about to begin and that 1927,
1928 or 1929 will see many places
destroyed by fire, the sinking of
certain portions of China in the sea
and the occurrence all over the
earth of "dreadful disasters and
cataclysms."

Mr. Highett prophesies that "the
end of the present age is at hand,"
and that "God has already descend-
ed to take charge of this planet."
The Bible, he states, foretells these
events. "I have been in communi-
cation with 'the Master' for 46
years and it is He who tells me
that these catastrophes are to
happen although I have no definite
dates for them."

Mr. Highett, who is a firm be-
liever in spiritualism, has come to
China to preach his religion which
he calls the "Universal Church of
God." He claims to have founded
centres in virtually every
country on the globe in the course
of his world travels which have
taken him round the world three
times already. Mr. Highett is a
man of independent means owing
to his ownership of a lucrative
sheep station in Australia.

CHINESE Y.M.C.A.

EXHIBITS OF HAND
WORK.

Yesterday at the Chinese
Y.M.C.A., Bridges Street, the closing
exercises were held for this
summer's Daily Vacation Bible
Schools. Sixteen schools have
been in session, for four full
weeks, with 165 volunteer tea-
chers, and more than 1,600 pupils.
The teachers are all students of
the various middle schools of
Hongkong, who freely gave their
mornings to this form of helping
younger boys and girls to get some
education. About three quarters
of the teachers were girls and one
quarter boys. Most of the pupils
are "poor" children, that is, chil-
dren from the streets, or children
who have had only a few months
or so of school, and are not oc-
cupied with any work.

The daily programme of the
schools included Chinese reading
and writing, geography and
hygiene, and hand work, as well
as Christian instruction and
music. The handwork for the
boys was basket weaving, and for
the girls, sewing and knitting.
The cost for the entire work was
about a dollar a pupil, or \$1,600,
which has been raised, from the
friends and supporters of the
work, almost entirely Chinese.
This money goes for text books,
materials for handwork, some en-
tertainment and social, refresh-
ments for teachers, and advertisement
and printing, etc.

At the closing exercises at the
Y.M.C.A., exhibits of the hand
work were shown, some being of a
high standard. The waste paper
baskets and trays were sold for
ten or twenty cents. The socks,
caps, clothing, doyleys, etc., were
sold for small amounts. About
100 pieces of the wicker ware
were sold and a couple of hun-
dred pieces of sewing and knit-
ting.

Credit for this fine piece of
work goes to the Daily Vacation
Bible School Committee of Hong-
kong, which is composed of the
younger Christians of the
churches, together with the pupils
in the middle schools and some of
their teachers. The facilities
have given great aid by urging
their pupils to do the teaching
and a service to less fortunate
children.

Mr. Chang King-shung, prin-
cipal of the Y.M.C.A. Day School,
has been executive secretary for
the work this summer. Mr. Wang
Si-pun has been chairman of the
committee of eighteen who have
done such fine work.

The closing of the school, fol-
lowing the morning exhibit, took
place yesterday afternoon. The
schools, which had been held in
sixteen different places, sent re-
presentatives to the central ga-
thering, each school contributing
some item to the programme.

In former years, Hongkong
once had eighteen schools, but
considering the difficulties of the
recent months, the committee is
to be congratulated on the report
now presented. In all China last
summer, the number of these
Bible Vacation Schools was 2,100.

BE CAREFUL.

UPPER LEVELS WATER
SUPPLY.

P.W.D. COMMUNIQUE.

Residents on the Peak and upper
levels are asked to note the fol-
lowing (from the P.W.D.) on the
water supply.

The remarks anent voluntary
restriction were covered in an
article in yesterday's issue. This
appeal tells residents how to read
a meter.

In the Peak, Conduit and Robin-
son Roads districts:—
Repairs to No. 2 pump at the
Pokfulam Road pumping station
having been completed it is now
possible to augment the supply to
the above districts.

On and after Wednesday, August
18, a continuous supply will be
attempted, although the average
supply available will then only be
three-quarters of the average
normal supply.

Oversight Over Servants.

To make this supply a success,
consumers will require to exercise
a certain amount of oversight over
their servants, so that individual
house consumption will be reduced
to three-quarters of the previous
normal consumption.

An approximate figure for
normal supply can be obtained on
application at the office of the
Water Authority.

It is suggested that the surest
way of checking over-consumption
is to read the meter daily, a mat-
ter of a few seconds only, and
having arrived at a figure for daily
consumption insist that this figure
be not exceeded.

How to Read a Meter.

A meter has four dials indicating
tens of thousands, thousands, hun-
dreds and tens of gallons. To read
the meter commence with the tens
of thousands and work down to the
tens, reading the lower figure on
each dial in every case. For
example, if the pointer is between
6 and 7, six would be read, or if
between 0 and 1 zero would be
read and so on.

The advantages of a continuous
supply apart from the general
convenience of having water in the
taps at all times are many includ-
ing a fair distribution throughout
all districts including the highest
houses, cleaner and purer water,
less damage to mains and house
services.

Six Months Hence.

Should the average available
supply be overdrawn, there will be
no alternative but a return to the
intermittent system of supply.

It is hoped that consumers will
loyally support the Government in
this matter.

A notice in Chinese explaining
the necessity for water economy
accompanies this leaflet and it is
requested that it be posted in a
prominent place in the servants'
quarters.

It is not anticipated that a normal
full supply will be available for at
least six months.

THE WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in
Reservoirs on August 1, 1926:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER
WORKS LEVEL.

1925 1926

Tytam Level

Tytam Byewash 7.10 B. Do.

Tytam Intermediate Do. Do.

Tytam Tuk Do. Do.

Wong Nei Chung 7.2 B. 2.11 B.

Pokfulam 7.2 B. Level.

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow";

figures are not in feet and decimals,

but in feet and inches.]

Storage in millions and decimals

of gallons. 1925 1926

Tytam 384.80 385.80

Tytam Byewash 12.22 23.87

Tytam Intermediate 195.90 195.90

Tytam Tuk 1,419.00 1,419.00

Wong Nei Chung 21.64 26.66

Pokfulam 68.44 66.00

Total 2,097.00 2,114.73

Consumption of water in the City

and Hill District in millions and

decimals of gallons during the month of

July:—

1925 1926

Consumption 251.58 235.17

Estimated Population 399,000 408,320

per day (gallons) 22.4 19.8

Constant Supply in all Rider Main

Districts during July 1925.

Constant supply in all rider main

districts from 1st-6th July inclusive.

From 7th-18th July intermittent supply

in all districts west of Garden Road.

From 19th-28th July the supply was

seriously disorganised owing to

damage to the supply mains in the

eastern and western districts.

From 24th-31st July an intermittent

supply to all rider main districts was

maintained.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS

LEVEL.

1925 1926

Kowloon Gravitation Level

Shek Lai Pui Reservoir 8.4 B. 0.4 B.

Storage in millions and decimals

of gallons. 1925 1926

Kowloon Gravitation 352.50 352.50

Shek Lai Pui Reservoir 69.44 69.44

Total 421.94 421.94

Consumption of water in Kowloon

in millions and decimals of gallons dur-
ing the month of July.

1925 1926

Consumption 60.25 30.24

Estimated population 151,000 155,040

per day (gallons) 14.8 15.4

Full Supply in all districts during

July 1925 and 1926.

The Government Analyst's reports

show that the quality of the water is

satisfactory.

Total rainfall for July 31, 1925, 67.64;

July 31, 1926, 66.78.

"OLD MAIDS."

ARE THEY THE BEST
WORKERS?

SAID TO BE.

Mr. Herbert D. Brown, chief of
the United States Bureau of
Efficiency, whose business it has
been for twenty-three years to study
employees in American Government
offices, states that widows and large
fat men are the world's worst
workers, while "old maids," tall,
slim men, and little men are the
best type of workers for an em-
ployer to have in his office.

"Of women, considered as
workers, the 'old maid' is the most
loyal and efficient," says this
American expert.

"Once settled in spinsterhood, a
woman is not distracted by thoughts
which constantly engage the minds
of young girls, which are in eager
chase of husbands. She does not
stop her typewriter to powder her
nose; the arrangement of her
shingle is not causing her incessant
anxiety, and her lipstick, if she has
one, is reserved for occasional use.

"The widow is not so good," says
Mr. Brown. "She thinks of her
past, looking backward rather than
forward. She is often a 'trouble-
maker' in an office.

"Slender women are, as a rule,
better workers than those of more
substantial physique. When a slim
woman puts on flesh she is liable
to lose some of her energy."

"Mr. Brown has some equally
hard truths to say about the so-
called sterner sex.

"UNTRUE."**BALDWIN'S COMMUNICATION
TO AMERICA.****MINERS' ALLEGATIONS.**

London, August 17.
The miners' delegate conference discussed for 3½ hours this morning the action to be taken in view of the districts' rejection of the Bishops' peace proposals.

The conference is expected to end this evening.
Nothing has been disclosed as regards the nature of the discussions this morning except the fact that a resolution was passed emphatically protesting against the untrue communication of Mr. S. Baldwin, Prime Minister, to the American Press, timed to reach America when the Miners' Federation delegation landed, with the obvious object of preventing American subscriptions to the fund for the relief of the wives and children of British miners.

"This is further evidence that the Government has decided to assist the mine owners to defeat the miners by starvation."
[Mr. Baldwin's communication denied that the mining population was starving and declared that in many areas the children were better fed than before the stoppage.]

NANKOW PASS.**SPLENDID WORK BY FENG TIEN
TROOPS.**

Peking, August 17.
Foreign military experts, who inspected the Nankow Pass, were amazed at the strength of the position and impressed at the feat performed by the attacking forces in dislodging the Kuominchun.

The latter had an exceedingly strong and well-constructed trench system, which was provided with shrapnel proof dugouts and barbed and live electric wire, and all the latest improvements, spread out like a great fan to a distance of twelve miles round the entrance of the pass and terrain. It afforded undoubted evidence of the power and accuracy and the volume of the Fengtien artillery, and there appeared little doubt that the Kuominchun were literally blown out of their positions.

The place is reminiscent of a battlefield in France, it being evident that the Kuominchun gave a good account of themselves to the Fengtieners. It is reported that they lost two thousand in casualties in capturing this most formidable redoubt, which is in the nature of a key position.—Reuter.

An Intercepted Letter.

Peking, August 17.
It is reported that the Metropolitan Police have intercepted a letter addressed to a prominent Kuominchunite in the Legation quarter, in which it is stated that the Kuominchun intend to evacuate Kailan and Suifu and retreat to Lanchow and Nanchang. It is added that they are presently digging in along the Yellow River to the West of Pootaochen, with a view to warding off Shanai columns.

Tien Wei-chien's representative at Peking confirms the fall of Huailai. He received a telegram yesterday night announcing that Wu Shin-chien, Tien Wei-chien's Chief of Staff, had captured Huailai yesterday.

Ma Chai reports that his forces are driving back the Kuominchun in the direction of Chulo, which he hopes to capture shortly.

The Cabinet has allocated \$40,000 reward to the Fengtieners, who had captured Nankow and Chi Yunkang.—Reuter.

TIRED OF OFFICE.**KELLOGG DESIRES RETURN
TO LAW.**

New York, August 17.
According to the Washington correspondent of the "New York World," close friends of Mr. Kellogg, State Secretary, state that he has already informed President Coolidge that he wishes to return to the practice of the law and resign when Congress is reconvened.

The correspondent adds that his successor has already been chosen and "naturally Mr. Houghton will step into the vacant secretaryship."
—Reuter's American Service.

A Flint Denial.

Paul Smith's, August 17.
Mr. Kellogg, who is conferring with President Coolidge on the Mexico situation and other matters, has flatly denied that he contemplated resigning.—Reuter.

New York, August 9.—It is reported that Leon Trotsky is a fugitive and another rumour heard here is that the Soviets have ordered a general mobilization. Details of the foregoing stories are lacking but the reports are persistent and have given rise to a belief that serious situation has developed in Russia.

COBHAM'S FLIGHT.**RETURN TO BRITAIN
EXPEDITED.****A SECOND ENGINEER.**

Melbourne, August 17.
In order to expedite his return flight Mr. Alan Cobham is taking besides Mr. Ward, the mechanic, an engineer (Mr. Capel), who has been sent from Britain to overhaul the machine.

Mr. Cobham will thus be able to reduce the time spent in caring for the engine during stops.—Reuter.

AIR LINERS.**FOR THE EMPIRE AIR
ROUTE.****LONDON TO AUSTRALIA.**

Rugby, Aug. 17.
The first air liners now being built for the Imperial Airways for the Empire air route, connecting Cairo, Baghdad, and India, are approaching completion and will be tested early next month.

These new planes have been specially designed for operation on desert stretches in the Middle East, and, owing to the difficulty of obtaining water, each is fitted with three Bristol Jupiter air-cooled engines developing 1,200 horse-power.

A scheme is in hand for equipping special rest houses at the alighting places along the route to permit of passengers travelling from Cairo to India spending three nights at these points after flying through the daytime.
The new air service is due to be opened on January 1, and it will form another link in the projected 10,000 miles Empire air route between London and Australia. Sections from London to Marseilles and from Melbourne to Port Darwin being already in regular operation.—British Wireless Service.

STIFF PENALTY.**TROOP LIEUTS. INVOLVED
REDUCED TO BOTTOM.****SAN FERNANDO'S AFFAIR.**

Manila, August 10.
Lieutenants Victorino Fortus and Simplicio Juban, officers in command of the constabulary detachment stationed at San Fernando, Pampanga, during the riot last May which resulted in the killing of five persons and the wounding of several others are to be reduced to the bottom of their respective ranks as punishment for their neglect of duty. Governor General Wood increased their penalty far above what was recommended by the constabulary board of officers that investigated the conduct of both officers and men at San Fernando.

Lieutenant Fortus was reduced to the bottom of his rank, approximately 45 files below his present state, while Lieutenant Juban was reduced 25 files. The board of officers recommended a reduction of 20 files for the former and 15 for the latter, but the chief executive preferred to base his action not upon the board's recommendations but upon his findings.

In the opinion of the board, the two officers had not only neglected their duty as officers during the riot but had allowed discipline in the company under their charge to fall long before the riot took place. Several of the enlisted men of the company were either discharged or otherwise punished also.

The outfit has been transferred to Santolan, Rizal.—Manila Bulletin.

LOSING GROUND.

Encroachments by the sea on the southern and eastern coasts of Great Britain mean a considerable loss of land every year, and now we are told that the London and North-Eastern Railway between Frinton and Walton will have to be reconstructed further inland. It is true that there are additions to the land by the receding of the sea in other parts of the country, notably in the west, but the gain in these places does not make up for the big losses which sometimes occur on the southern coast. For instance, some quarter of a million tons of chalk cliff fell into the sea about two years ago, and it will take a lot to make up such a loss.

"The suggestion has been made that there is needed in national legislative halls great sending stations so that speeches might be radiocast. My belief is that there is greater need for receiving stations so that those who have failed to keep faith with the public might hear from home!"—William L. Nelson.

KILLING OF HAWKER.**"CANCELLATION OF JAPAN'S
EXTRATERRITORIALITY."****BRINGS BIG PROTEST.**

Shanghai, August 10.
Indignation among the Chinese has risen to the extent of demanding the cancellation of extraterritorial rights to the Japanese as a result of the death of a Chinese hawkler on board the "Manto Maru," August 6, while the vessel was lying at the China Merchants Eastern wharf, in Pootung. According to the Chinese version of the story the hawkler went on board to collect money owing to him but was set upon by the sailors and killed.

The story as told by the Japanese sailors is that the hawkler went on board and was caught stealing a watch belonging to an officer. Chasing the man, the sailors say that he fell down a hatchway and was killed.

The Chinese magistrates after an inquest brought in a verdict of murder. At the moment the Shanghai Municipal police together with Colonel Yen Tsung-yang and Commissioner Hsu Yuan are conducting investigations.

Notwithstanding that investigations are now in progress, 16 members of the Federation of Street Unions met in the Union Offices, Shantung Road, Saturday, and passed the following resolutions:

Union's Demands.
"That Hsu Yuan, Commissioner for Foreign Affairs be requested to lodge a strong protest regarding the killing of the hawkler by the sailors of the 'Manto Maru.'"

"That a sub-committee of five members be elected to investigate the matter."

"That the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce and the Chinese Lawyers' Association be requested to deal with the matter."

"That the Ministry for Foreign Affairs be urged by telegram to cancel the extra-territorial rights enjoyed by the Japanese in China."

Two further resolutions not connected with the death of the hawkler were also passed at the meeting one of which was that the re-opening of the Tariff Conference in Peking be strenuously opposed while the other was that Hu Feng-shiang, a prominent member of the Kwangsi Road Street Union be requested to enquire into the Japanese Cotton mill strikes.

In connection with murder of the hawkler, the Shanghai Students Union according to the "Journal of Commerce" (Chinese) has issued the following manifesto:

"Since the May 30 Tragedy, last year, the Japanese imperialists have verbally claimed to be on good terms with Chinese, but in reality they have continued their aggressive measures against China."

"During the past year the Japanese have even aggravated their unreasonable encroachments. The Twenty One Demands Treaty has not yet been abrogated, whilst the concessions made by the Japanese after the May 30 Tragedy have not yet been observed; furthermore numerous other offensive and oppressive acts have been committed by the Japanese, such as despatching Japanese troops to Manchuria, bombardment of Taku Forts by Japanese warships, arrest of labour representatives, and inflicting of cruel punishment upon them, assaulting and oppressing workers in local Japanese mills."

"The other day a fatal assault upon a Chinese hawkler named Chen Ah Dong was committed by Japanese sailors on the s.s. 'Manto Maru.' Chen had gone to the ship to collect an account. Where is God? Where is justice? As such acts greatly affect our sovereign rights, the people should protest energetically and urge the Chinese authorities to lodge a strong protest with the Japanese and to insist that the murderers be severely dealt with."

"Such incidents are positive proof of the value of the declaration by Japanese that they are on good terms with China. Knowing this how can we Chinese place any further belief in the hypocritical policy of the Japanese?"

In connection with this matter, the Citizens' Diplomatic Co-operative Society has sent the following letter to the local Commissioner for Foreign Affairs:

"The other day Japanese sailors on board the s.s. 'Manto Maru' assaulted to death a Chinese hawkler named Chen Ah Dong. This is indeed terrible and inhuman; everybody will sympathize with the deceased, and become indignant at this brutal action of the Japanese who look down upon Chinese as they do the natives of Korea and Formosa. This is intolerable."

You are requested to lodge a strong protest with the Japanese authorities and to continue the protest until the assailant or assailants are handed over to the Chinese authorities and punished in accordance with law. Compensation should be given to the family of the victim, and an apology tendered by the Japanese with a promise that similar occurrences would not happen in future."

INTERVENTION.**WHAT WOULD THE POWERS
ACCOMPLISH.****ANOTHER WORLD WAR.**

At least three recent books written by foreigners dealing with the China situation have advocated intervention in one form or another as a solution for the China puzzle. One writer backed his argument by proving, to his own satisfaction at least, that the Chinese are an inferior race and incapable of governing themselves anyway, hence the necessity for intervention if we are ever to have peace in this part of the world. Another writer after declaring that "everything points to measures of force and little to settlement by negotiation," then proceeded to outline a scheme for intervention claiming that the trick could be turned by a "single Power" with five divisions of troops or a hundred thousand men, together with a flotilla of light craft, which "would bring about decisive results five times as fast as in the wars of 1842 and 1860."

Viscount Grey's Summing Up.
For those who advocate intervention as a cure for China's ills, we would recommend a careful perusal of Viscount Grey's "Twenty-Five Years," a record of British diplomacy from 1891 to 1916 covering the events leading up to and a record of allied diplomacy throughout most of the European War. On Pages 20 and 21 of his second volume, Viscount Grey sums up some of the results of the European War to the following effect: "The full extent of the economic disaster of the war is not yet known. Europe is still engaged in grappling with it; we have certainly not yet seen the end of it; it is possible that we have not yet seen the worst of it.... Six Great European Powers took part in the war. France is the only one of them of which it can be said that the social and political order has not been changed to an extent and degree that seemed almost impossible or incredible to us in 1914. Russia has had a revolution and is in a condition that seems to baffle description; Germany is a Republic; Italy has had a revolution sufficient to change her whole political system; Austria-Hungary, as a Great Power, has disappeared. Britain has had a Labour Government, though, according to our precedents, we are making our revolution slowly and by constitutional means."

The Amateur Strategists.

"But intervention in China couldn't possibly bring on another world war," assert the amateur strategists, who explain that it would not be necessary for all of the Powers to intervene which might cause jealousy and conflicts among the Powers themselves. "One Power could intervene alone by landing 10,000 troops at Canton, 50,000 troops in the Yangtze Valley, taking over the railways, etc., and so on in similar effect, the number of troops required usually being regulated by the number of cocktails consumed during the conversation of the aforesaid amateur strategists. "But what Power is to do the intervening?" This question always brings the answer, "Why Great Britain or Japan—Of course you would never expect the United States to come in; the Americans are too sentimental, etc., etc."

For the Sake of Argument.

For the sake of argument, we will assume that Great Britain might intervene alone in the Chinese situation by sending a sufficient force of Indian troops to handle the job. Assuming that Parliament would vote the money for this, a highly improbable supposition when viewed in the light of present British financial and political conditions, the question immediately arises as to the attitude of the other Powers. The attitude of Japan in the event of British intervention in China provides ground for interesting speculation. Would Japan preserve an attitude of benevolent neutrality and stand aside, or would British intervention provide Japan with her great opportunity for casting her lot with the yellow man and throwing the British out of Eastern Asia completely as she did in the case of the Russians at Port Arthur and the Germans at Tsingtao. It would be a very difficult matter for Japan to remain neutral in the event of intervention in China on the part of any Western Power. She would either intervene and annex Manchuria or would oppose intervention by the Western Power by casting her lot with China, and China, in order to obtain help against the intervening Western Power, would probably agree to the most onerous Japanese terms in order to obtain help.

Also for the Sake of Argument.

Then, also for the sake of argument, what about intervention by Japan alone? In the first place, it probably would be impossible to obtain the consent of the Western Powers; otherwise, the United States and Great Britain for neither, due to past experience, would trust

Japan to do the job. And supposing that Japan could obtain the consent of the United States and Great Britain, intervention in China would prove such an expensive job that Japan would come out of the adventure so heavily mortgaged to the United States that her position would be little better than that of most of the European Powers today. Furthermore the economic situation in Japan at the present is so serious that a further financial burden on the Empire probably would result in revolution and a long period of industrial and social disorder that would reduce Japan to the position of a second-rate Power for many decades to come. Still another element in intervention from the standpoint of Japan, would be the complete loss for a number of years of all of the fruits of the various "friendship-treaties" which Japan has been conducting in China for the past half dozen years. Then finally we would have the problem of Soviet Russia in the case of intervention on the part of Japan or a Western Power. Intervention on the part of either Japan or Great Britain, would likewise present the Soviet with its great opportunity for coming in to "assist" China, the price for assistance probably being undisputed control of Mongolia and Manchuria.

Deciding Factor Rests With U.S.A.

Thus, in view of the foregoing consideration of possibilities, it is difficult to imagine just how intervention in China could be carried out at the present time without provoking another world conflagration, something which no sensible person even cares to think about at the present stage of world conditions. Finally the deciding factor in any form of intervention would rest with the United States. A prominent American official who has been working for a considerable period trying to solve certain phases of the Chinese puzzle, made the statement recently that it would be an absolute impossibility to induce the American Congress to vote funds for a China expedition and another prominent American diplomat a couple of years ago stated that the only thing which might provoke American intervention would be a wholesale massacre of American missionaries which would rouse such a storm of indignation among the American people that the President would be forced to send troops, similar to the incidents which brought about the Boxer intervention. A war between Japan and Russia over their interests in Mongolia and Manchuria, something entirely within the realm of possibility, would create an entirely different situation from the standpoint of the United States. This might provoke American intervention and a definite settlement of this question which quite likely would not be to the liking of either Japan or Russia.

Lord Balfour's Statement.

Since the foreign paragraphs were written, Reuters has reported the statement of Lord Balfour in the House of Commons on July 27 in which he referred to intervention in China to the following general effect:

"Replying to Lord Parmoor in the House of Lords to-day, with reference to China, Lord Balfour referred to the growth of national self-consciousness in China. He emphasised that as far as he was aware no nation entertained the fantastic notion of a kind of military alliance of western nations for the purpose of coercing China. The British Government desired to interfere with the internal affairs of China as little as possible.

"China must work out her own salvation. In doing so the Chinese appeared to be making many mistakes. Unfortunately the mistakes reacted upon us. The British Government most earnestly desired to co-operate with and help China where they legitimately could, to recognise that the British and the Chinese, as far as commerce and economic affairs were concerned, had a common interest, and as regards the organisation of their own country, our hope was that there would be no difficulty in their managing their own internal affairs."—China Weekly Review.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Three Chinese cases of enteric fever (from the city) were reported to the Medical Officer of Health on Monday.

The Jerusalem government has voted \$115,000 for the enlargement and improvement of Jaffa harbour. Since the mandate was given over Palestine, business conditions have so improved that more harbour facilities have become imperative.

The largest European concession ever granted to a British firm has just been arranged. The Government of Poland will turn over to the British the great national forest of Bialouza. It has several hundred thousand acres of timber and the exploitation will bring in tremendous profits.

The "President McKinley" is sailing from Hongkong at 6.00 a.m. to-morrow and is not carrying any first-class passengers beyond Shanghai. She is fully booked up at Shanghai with Chinese Government and private students going to the United States. There will be approximately 200 students travelling on this steamer.

Bucharest, August 9.—It is reported from Moscow that the Soviets have ordered a general mobilisation and it also is reported that the Russian Black Sea fleet has revolted and after joining Zinovieff has bombarded the Russian coast occupying several towns. The Foreign Office at Moscow denies the report that a revolt has taken place and declares the rumours are part of an Anti-Soviet propaganda campaign abroad.

That third sons are of weak intellect is the opinion of Dr. Watanabe, after having examined the mentality of 400 weak-minded boys of 21 primary schools, this opinion being in direct conflict to the centuries' old Japanese belief that it is the heir to the family estates whose brain capacity is the least developed. Investigations further revealed that though many of these lads were weak in mathematics they were usually skilful in handwork.

Berlin, August 2.—Five persons were killed, seven injured at Heidenheim, Württemberg, where an aeroplane which was giving an exhibition flight, badly landed and dashed into the spectators. The pilot escaped with slight injuries.

Managua, Nicaragua, August 9.—The Government to-day seized a quantity of arms and ammunition which had been concealed in a hotel in the central part of the capital. It is believed the seizure prevented an uprising against the Government.

For expectorating on the floor of a public building, namely, the Land Office, Penang, a Hokkien Chinese, Khoo Teng Huat, was fined \$5 by the Second Police Magistrate, Mr. Sennett. Similar treatment for such an offence in Hongkong would do a lot of good.

In two separate lots, Nos. 9 and 10 and Nos. 11 and 12 U. Lok Lane were sold at China Auction Rooms yesterday by order of the mortgagee. They were purchased in each instance by Mr. U Seung, of 96, Jervois Street, for \$7,700 and \$8,200 respectively, rising in both cases from \$5,000.

London, August 1.—The "Observer" understands that the Wembley Exhibition site will be developed as a self-contained industrial unit. Two of the largest buildings are virtually sold to an American motor manufacturing company, which is not Ford's, which will provide housing for thousands of its British employees.

During the week ending July 31 there were 278 deaths recorded within the Singapore Municipal limits giving a rate of 35.40 compared with 32.60 the preceding week, or excluding persons not three months resident of 32.98. The infantile mortality rate was 270.4 compared with 223.9 the preceding week and 268.2 in the corresponding week of last year. No cases of plague, cholera or small-pox were recorded, the main causes of death being malaria, pneumonia, phthisis and convulsions.

London, August 2.—A daring robbery has occurred at the Victoria and Albert Museum, where 34 ancient Roman-Egyptian coins of great value have been stolen from a display case which was forced open.

The "N. C. Daily News" says that the "New Shanghai Life" contains a notification that all Soviet comrades liable for military service must return to Russia at their own expense. Only Government students are exempt. We foresee a rush for bookings, perhaps.

A new palace of chance, to compete with Monte Carlo, is to be established on the Bosphorus, in Turkish territory, according to the National Geographic Society. The Turkish Government, endeavouring to put its surplus imperial palaces to some profit, has rented the Yildiz Kiosk Palace—The Pavilion of the Star—to Italian concessionaires who will convert the former Ottoman White House into a casino. People familiar with Turkey believe the new palace of chance will be very lucky for it was erected for Sultan Abdul-Hamid II., who reigned 33 years. They believe that any Sultan who could rule in Turkey for 33 years had to be lucky.

British scholars are deeply interested in the reports from the Vatican that the official Biblical Commission of the Church of Rome has completed, after twelve years of labour, its new critical text—through the Book of Genesis—of the Latin Vulgate or "popular" Latin version of the Bible. In three or four years it will be able to publish the official text for the remaining books of the Pentateuch. By 1950 or so, it is said, it should have the complete text of St. Jerome's Latin version of the Bible—a text freed from all the hit-or-miss additions of Mediaeval scholars. In the meantime, however, the Church of Rome will make no attempt to modify in any way the familiar Vulgate now in worldwide use in the Roman Catholic churches. The new critical text will be solely for the guidance of scholars until the Church decides—if it ever does—that the new and proper version should be substituted.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

London, July 29.—An influential body of friends and ex-colleagues of Marquess Curzon, headed by Mr. Baldwin, have signed an appeal for subscriptions, not exceeding five guineas, to erect a memorial plaque to the late Lord Curzon in Westminster Abbey.

London, July 30.—Mr. Hamilton Fife has resigned the editorship of the "Daily Herald" which he accepted in 1922 for the purpose of putting the paper on its feet. He declares that his task has been accomplished. "I raised the circulation from 130,000 to 450,000."

Mr. W. H. Trenwith for many years a resident of Galle, Ceylon, passed away in his 80th year on July 21. Mr. Trenwith came from Wales and had travelled all over the world. He accompanied Dr. Livingstone in his travels in Africa. He was an accomplished musician and could play almost any instrument. He was a Freemason and belonged to the Lodge at Galle.

Poona, July 28.—Lord Irwin's is the first visit paid by a Viceroy to Poona since nearly thirty years. Though several Viceroys have been on brief unofficial visits this is the first time the city has had an opportunity to extend a public ceremonial welcome to His Majesty's representative in India. The last public reception given by the city was to Lord Elgin in 1895.

Madras, July 27.—It is understood that the Hon. Sir Ramasamy Iyer has been nominated as additional delegate to the League of Nations Assembly which meets in Geneva on September 7. Sir Ramasamy Iyer leaves Madras on the 2nd or 3rd for Bombay and will sail per the s.s. "Razmak" on August 7 and proceed straight to London to confer with the authorities there before leaving for Geneva.

Paul Smith's, New York, August 10.—William P. McCracken, Jr., of Chicago, to-day was appointed assistant secretary of commerce in charge of aviation by President Coolidge. Mr. McCracken is secretary of the American Bar Association and chairman of its committee on the law of aeronautics. He is also governor of the National Aeronautic Association. He was a flying instructor during the world war.

The engagement is announced of Edward, son of Mr. E. Ernest Green, retired Government Entomologist, Ceylon, to Emma MacPherson, of Ceylon.

The engagement is announced of Frederic Alexander Waldo, of Messrs. Keel and Waldo, son of the late Mr. F. W. Waldo, and of Mrs. Waldo, with Muriel Walker.

London, July 27.—The first edition of the "Pilgrims Progress" was auctioned at Sotheby's for \$6,800. The purchaser was Mr. Quaritch. Only four other perfect copies are known.

London, July 29.—Vice-Admiral Sir Herbert Richmond is appointed Commandant of the Imperial Defence College whose function will be the training of a body of officers and civilian officials in the broadest aspects of imperial strategy.

London, July 28.—Constantinople.—Kara Kemal, the former member of the Committee of Union and Progress, who was sentenced to death in contumacy by the Tribunal of Independence for plotting against Mustafa Kemal Pasha, committed suicide in order to avoid arrest when he was discovered in a house in Stamboul where he was hiding.

Berlin, August 11.—The German Republic celebrated its seventh birthday to-day quietly, with few speeches of public ceremony. The republican colours, black, red and gold were displayed on the public buildings and on some private homes. In public documents the Republic is usually held to have existed from the day of Wilhelm's abdication. The annual holiday, however, marks the anniversary of the promulgation of the constitution of Weimar on August 11, 1919.

The marriage took place at St. Peter's (Garrison) Church, Fort on July 31 of Archibald H. Malpas, Assistant Marine Biologist, of the Ceylon Fisheries Department, with Nora Gladhill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Gladhill, of 41, Holland Park, London, W. The bride, who came out to Ceylon about Christmas last year and had been staying with Mrs. Edward Adams, at Fordcombe, Bambalapitiya, was given away by Mr. G. P. Adams. Mr. A. C. A. Howe, acted as best man.

London, July 26.—Paris.—M. De Jouvenel has decided to resign the High Commissionership in Syria. He will probably be succeeded by a French General.

The "Daily Telegraph's" Military Correspondent understands that Col. H. C. Jackson will succeed Col. R. J. Collins in the Directorship of Military Training in India.

London, July 27.—The proposal to admit women to the Wesleyan Ministry was approved by a representative session of the Conference, but it has been referred back to the Committee by the Pastoral Session, which is wholly a Ministerial body possessing powers of veto over the representative session.—"Times of Ceylon."

Miss Faith Williams, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Williams of Nanjing, has recently returned from America to work in the Y.M.C.A. On July 30 at their house was held a gathering of some of the "second generation" in China, including Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Duff, Mr. and Mrs. Koon, Miss Elsie Logan, Miss Pilley, and Messrs. John and Edward Little.

Vienna, August 8.—A cloud-burst over the village of Choeran, south Austria caused a small river to overflow and sweep through the town cemetery. Several corpses were dug up and deposited in the church during morning services. The entire population became terrified at what they regarded an ill omen and prayed continuously until army engineers arrived and cleared away the debris.

Rome, August 8.—The Pope to-day approved the new wage scale for Vatican employees which is five times that received before the war. The Pontiff asked that the working hours be increased from three to six hours. The increase in the wage scale is the result of recent agitation, the gardeners even threatening to strike. The increase will aggregate a sum of 3,000,000 lire annually.

Edinburgh, July 7.—Some of England's most remarkable history will be revived shortly when the Royal Tombs at Holyrood are opened. R. T. Skinner, London archaeologist, has contracted to investigate the tombs and catalogue the contents. He is expected to begin work at an early date. Among those buried in the Holyrood Tombs were Darnley, ill-fated husband of Mary Stuart, and the Countess of Argyle whose remains are in a coffin, part of which is solid gold.

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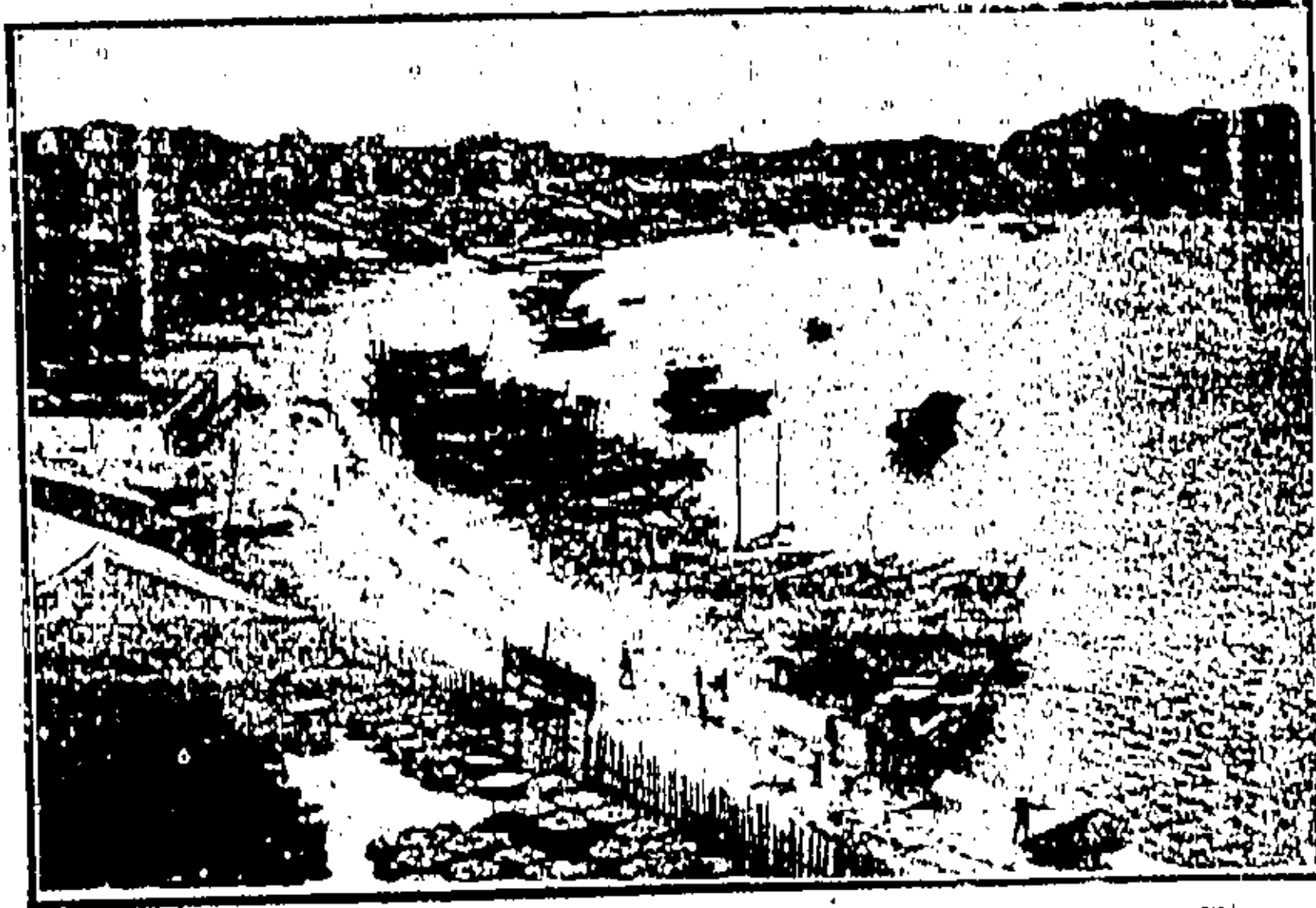
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SPORTS SECTION

SUTCLIFFE OUT!

BOWLED FOR 161 IN LAST OVER OF THE DAY.

LEADING BY 353 RUNS.

Third Day's Play: 5th Test: At the Oval.

With four wickets still in hand, England (at the close of play yesterday) were 353 runs ahead of Australia.

Sutcliffe was dismissed in the last over of the day with 161 to his credit.

Play continues to-day (the fourth day) and everything hinges on the condition of the wicket.

Features of yesterday's play, the third day, were:—

Another 3-figure opening partnership by England's opening pair, Centuries by Hobbs and Sutcliffe.

So far Mailey has not met with the success he had in the first innings.

In all, Sutcliffe batted 77 hours and 8 minutes.

After the first two, England's other batsmen seem to have failed. At this distance it will be unfair to blame them so quickly. From the little conveyed in Reuter's cables, the wicket may have been drying in the sun, thus giving assistance to the bowlers.

WHAT ARE THE PROSPECTS?

Wicket May Favour England.

England, of course, continues batting to-day.

On Saturday the wicket was "drying." England ran up 280 and Australia lost 4 wickets for 60.

Then came the week-end interval. Monday's wicket was good and Australia profited thereby to make 302 in all, England replying with 49 for no wicket.

Yesterday, the wicket began soft, after a heavy thunderstorm in the night, easy. By the lunch interval it became the sun's influence on the wicket became more apparent.

Did this mean that England batted on a drying wicket which brought about the collapse later in the day, when the sun's effect had become more pronounced?

It is not stated whether Sutcliffe was bowled off the last ball of the over. The name of the next batsman is not given.

England—1st Innings. Hobbs, b Mailey 37
Sutcliffe, b Mailey 76
Woolley, b Mailey 18
Hendren, b Gregory 8
A. P. F. Chapman, st. Oldfield, b Mailey 49
G. T. S. Stevens, c Andrews, b Rhodes, c Oldfield, b Mailey 17
Geary, run out 9
Tate, b Grimmett 23
Larwood, c Andrews, b Grimmett 6
Strudwick, not out 4
Extras 11

Total 280

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Grimmett 74 2
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H. L. Collins, c Stevens, b Larwood 61
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W. A. Oldfield, not out 35
C. V. Grimmett, b Tate 0
A. A. Mailey, c Strudwick, b Tate 0
Extras 17

Total 302

BOWLING ANALYSIS. Runs. Wickets. Tate 40 3
Larwood 82 3
Geary 43 0
Stevens 85 1
Rhodes 35 2

England—2nd Innings. Hobbs, b Gregory 100
Sutcliffe, b Mailey 161
Woolley, b W. A. Richardson 27
Hendren, b Grimmett 15
A. P. F. Chapman, b Richardson 19
G. T. S. Stevens, c Mailey, b Grimmett 22
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Total (for 8 wickets) 376

Fall of wickets: overnight 49 for 0; 1st (Hobbs) 172; 2nd (Woolley) 220; 3rd (Hendren) 277; 4th (Chapman) 316; 5th (Stevens) 373; 6th (Sutcliffe) 375.

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Hobbs' batting was brilliant and most skilful. He was in for 221 minutes, and hit ten fours. He received an ovation.

Sutcliffe was joined by Woolley, and the partnership realised 48 in 45 minutes.

When Sutcliffe had reached 75, Woolley was out, leg-before to Richardson, with 27 to his credit. (2-220-27.)

Another Wicket Falls.

Hendren then partnered Sutcliffe, who hit the big boundary ball from Gregory and obtained his century after five hours of very steady batting, being vociferously ovated.

Sutcliffe had compiled 117 when Hendren was being bowled by Grimmett for 15. (3-277-15.)

Sutcliffe was joined by Chapman, and the pair had raised the score to 296 for 3 wickets at the tea interval, the former then having 125 to his credit and Chapman 10.

SUTCLIFFE OUT.

Also Chapman & Stevens.

After tea, the third hundred was registered, Grimmett and Richardson having the bowling.

This was after the innings had lasted six hours (or at the rate of 50 runs an hour).

Sutcliffe added 25 to his score in another 30 minutes, making his total 150.

Meanwhile Chapman had scored 19 runs. He was bowled by Richardson with the total at 316 for 4 (4-316-19).

Then Stevens went in.

He scored more rapidly than did Sutcliffe.

While the Yorkshireman added 9, Stevens had made 22.

But Stevens was not destined to make a big score as he was caught by Mailey off Grimmett's bowling. (5-373-22). Sutcliffe 159 not out.

End of Day.

Another Yorkshireman, Rhodes, went out to accompany Sutcliffe.

But Sutcliffe was not to bat again on the fourth day (to-day).

Two runs were added to the total both from Sutcliffe, when he was bowled by Mailey in the last over of the day, with his total at 161. Rhodes had not opened his account. (375-6-161).

Stumps were drawn without any further change in the score. Sutcliffe's innings was flawless effort. He batted for 7 hours and 8 minutes and hit 16 fours.

Reuter.

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COUNTY CRICKET.

ROSE COUNTIES WINNING AGAIN.

MIDDLESEX CHECKED.

Features in the Championship Matches.

With the exception of a check on Middlesex, all the stronger sides engaged in the county championship cricket matches defeated weaker sides.

Yorkshire and Lancashire, the leaders, remain in the lead.

Details follow:—

Yorks v. Worcester.

County cricket matches ended to-day resulted:—

At Bradford, Yorkshire defeated Worcestershire by an innings and 28 runs. Scores:—

Worcester (1st) 89 runs. Kilner (R.) took 4 wickets for 42 runs.

Yorks (1st) 241 runs for 5 wickets. declared. Leyland made 66. Holmes 83. Macaulay 51.

Worcester (2nd) 124 runs.

Hants v. Lancs.

At Bournemouth, Hampshire lost to Lancashire by 97 runs. Scores:—

Lancs (1st) 89 runs. New-

man took 5 for 44 and Boyes 4 for 16.

Hants (1st) 214 runs. Mead made 97 not out.

Lancs (2nd) 271 runs. Hallows made 106. P. T. Ekersley 99.

Hants (2nd) 49 runs. Macdonald took 4 for 28 and Iddon 5 for 9.

Somerset v. Kent.

At Taunton, Somerset lost to Kent by ten wickets. Scores:—

Somerset (1st) 212 runs. G. F. Earle made 60. Freeman (A. P.) took 6 for 68.

Kent (1st) 397 runs. Ashdown made 67. Seymour 107. C. H. Knott 117 not out. J. C. White took 7 for 109.

Somerset (2nd) 297 runs. Earle made 88.

Kent (2nd) 98 runs for no wicket. Hardinge made 58 not out.

Warwick v. Middlesex.

At Birmingham, Warwickshire led Middlesex on the first innings in an uncompleted match.

Scores:—

Middlesex (1st) 165 runs. E. P. Hewson took 5 for 48.

Warwick (1st) 371 runs. Bates made 141. Kilner (N.) 81.

Middlesex (2nd) 435 runs for 9 wickets, declared. F. T. Mann made 194.

Warwick (2nd) 175 runs for 5 wickets. R. E. S. Wyatt made 66.

Derby v. Notts.

At Ilkeston, Derbyshire lost to Notts by 50 runs. Scores:—

Notts (1st) 301 runs for 8 wickets, declared. A. W. Carr made 57. Payton 100 not out.

Derby (1st) 193 runs. Lee made 50. Staples took 5 for 76. Richmond 5 for 78.

Notts (2nd) 73 runs. Townsend took 6 for 32.

Derby (2nd) 131 runs.

Leicester v. Essex.

At Leicester, Leicestershire lost to Essex by five wickets.

Scores:—

Essex (1st) 300 runs. Freeman (J.) made 113.

Leicester (1st) 142 runs. Astill made 60. O'Connor took 7 for 55.

Leicester (2nd, followed-on) 287 runs. Rudd made 114.

Essex (2nd) 130 runs for 5 wickets.—Reuter.

The championship table "now stands at:—

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[To the Editor of the "China Mail,"]

Sir—With worthy exponents of the game in our midst and what we have seen of the two games, may I ask what is the matter with our "local baseball stars" whom we have all been used to admiring?

There is no doubt that the Filipino visitors can give the locals a few wrinkles in the game. It is disappointing that our men do not understand the game better and regrettable that there is not a single official who can interpret the technical points in the game without reference to a rule book. This has reference to an incident which happened at yesterday's match when a protest was made by the visitors at a decision of the umpire to extend a man on baulk. Perhaps it was the absence of the rule book which reversed the position to status quo.

Umpiring is a thankless job and decisions, at times, irritate pitchers as well as the spectators.

Yours, etc.,

A. Bunter.

Hongkong, August 18.

U.S. BOXING.

RICKARD BRINGS COURT ACTION.

New York, Aug. 17.

Tex Rickard has announced that he is bringing a court action to compel the issue of a licence for the Dempsey vs. Gene Tunney boxing contest.—Reuter's American Service.

NIGHT FETE.

ENTRIES FOR V.R.C. THIS SATURDAY.

Entries closed yesterday for the V.R.C.'s first night fete of the season, to be held this Saturday.

The entrants are:—

100 yards members aggregate (handicap)—E. Noronha, A. E. Carvalho, G. Razavet, W. Taylor, and E. Zimmer.

50 yards back stroke (handicap)—E. Noronha, B. Assumpcao, G. Noronha, G. Razavet, A. May, H. Noronha, and R. Pereira.

High dive—W. Taylor and D. Laing.

100 yards members breast stroke (handicap)—R. Pereira, H. Barros and W. A. Zimmer.

50 yards team race—B. Assumpcao, G. Noronha, H. Alves, D. V. Lopes, G. Razavet, D. Laing, W. Taylor, J. Noronha, A. May, E. Zimmer, B. Rasmussen, and F. W. T. Ross.

Boys' two lengths (handicap)—W. Coysh, E. Lawrence (15), W. Lawrence (16), and H. Noronha (16).

50 yards ladies (handicap)—Miss B. Bliss, Miss D. Spanton, Miss M. Gourlay, and the Misses Hunt.

London, August 7.—Although the football season does not commence for nearly another month, already many Scots have been transferred to English teams. In most cases the transfer fees have been moderate.

The following will represent the Wanderers in a hockey match against the 5th/2nd Punjabis at 5.30 p.m. (in whites) to-morrow:—Goal, Sergt. Clark, R.A.; backs, E. J. R. Mitchell, C. L. R. Becker, Lt. Maude, R.A., Major J. P. S. Greig, R.E.; forwards, Major L. J. Lightfoot, R.A.P.C., B. R. Forster, G. P. Lammert, Lt. E. J. Laricom, R.E., Lt. W. Andrews, R.N.

New York, August 11.—It was announced to-day that the International Federation at The Hague had made a ruling limiting amateur athletes to twenty-one day tours in foreign countries. This is the aftermath of the visits of Paavo Nurmi and Charles Hoof of Finland and Norway, respectively, and other champions to the United States.

Forest Hills, New York, August 11.—Vincent Richards and R. Norris Williams, national doubles champions, lost the final match to-day in their Davis Cup tests to William T. Tilden and William M. Johnston, 6-2, 6-4, 17-15. The final was one of the longest in history, going to thirty games without a break through service.

London, August 7.—In the Royal Navy and Marines lawn tennis championships, Paymaster Lt.-Com. R. E. Worthington won the singles final by defeating Engineer Lieutenant L. J. P. Carr by 6-3, 6-2. Worthington won the singles last year and Carr in association with Commander L. Darby, was successful in the doubles.

GOBS GO DOWN.

STAR BASEBALLERS WIN AGAIN.

P.I. CONQUERORS.

The "All-Filipino star" baseball players met with little opposition from the U.S.S. "Helena" at the Happy Valley diamond yesterday in the second match of the current tour. The visitors sent down the gobs to a pointless defeat and collected 14 runs in four out of the nine innings.

There were hardly any interesting patches in the earlier stages of the game when the naval men appeared to be holding the visitors well and kept them down to a total of four runs for six innings.

An exhibition of bunting followed in which the naval men were made to look like novices. Fast throws in the intervals were slashed out. Montalbo drawing applause with a two-bagger to right field. He was, however, put out when stealing three.

Toribio was struck out. Bernales gained first on an error. Santos hit over short stop for two bases and was soon after forced out. But Bernales got home to make the tenth run in the inning.

In gathering darkness, the stars did not take their last two innings seriously and forced themselves out in order to finish the game.

Players on the "Helena" side occasionally reached second base, which was about as far as the gobs were allowed to go. Beers made a pretty three-base hit to the field in the second inning.

Stran injudiciously and was put out at the plate. Ten flies, eight strike-outs, and quick throws to bases, in which Regis showed his left bag to advantage, accounted for the dispatch of the sailors for the proverbial "ducks" (in cricket parlance) in all nine innings.

Birtulfo, the star pitcher, and the two others who were seen against South China the previous day, had a rest while two other reserves were tried out with successful results.

The teams and score details were as under:—

Stars 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Hugo Ramos 2b. Harding
M. Platon ss. Jones
Casimiro cf. Coulter
Montalbo lf. Beers
Regis rf. Chirgoff
Rivera 1b. Koblis
C. Platon c. Butler
Juan Bernales 3b. Hall
Gonsalves p. Barnes

Umpires—Bryan and Rull. Changes.—Stars: Santos, p. (5th); Ylanan, lf. (6th); Toribio, c. (7th). "Helena": Bacon, 3b. (3rd); Nickson, p. (5th); Pegg, 1b. (7th).

Stars 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
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Runs. Regis (3). Ramos, Rivera, Bernales (2), Casimiro, C. Platon, Santos, M. Platon, Ylanan (1).

Hits.—Stars, 9; Helena, 3. Errors.—Helena, 12; Stars, 3. Strike-out.—Barnes 1, Nickson 1, Jones 1, Gonsalves 4, Santos 4, Baxes on Balls.—Barnes 3, Nickson 3, Gonsalves 1, Santos 1.

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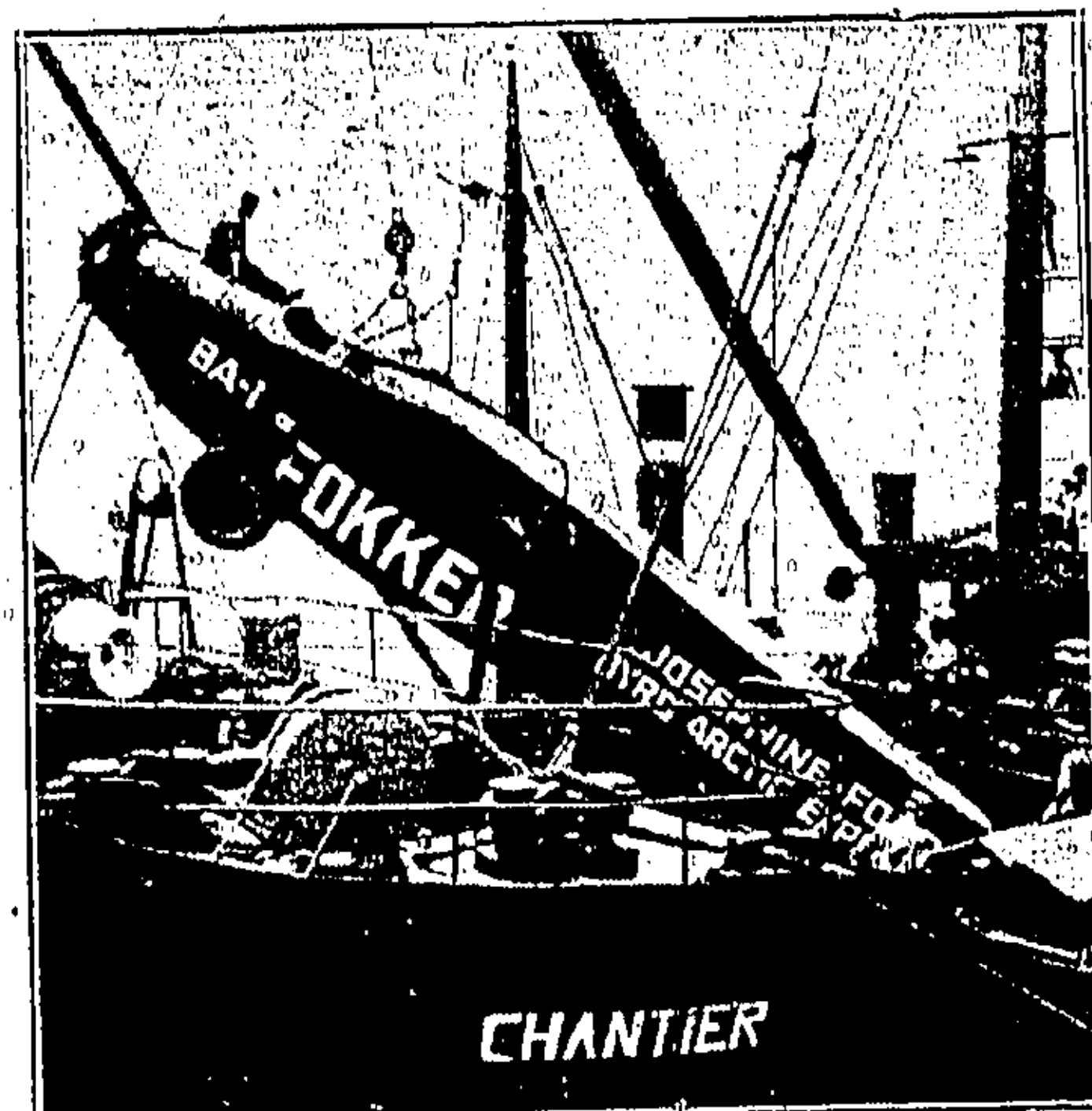
People and Events in the News of the World



The "Cape Codder," New York to New Haven fast train, ran into the wreck of a freight and three train men were killed. Pullmans toppled off the track.



Mrs. Grace O. Bange was sentenced to from two and a half to five years in prison. She was accused of larceny in a stock transaction, and was known as the "girl Ponzi."



The "Josephine Ford," giant plane that Commander R. E. Byrd flew over the North Pole and the "Chantier," his supply ship.



Under his direction money collected by the W. C. T. U. was used in purchasing alcoholic evidence. William B. Wright, director of prohibition enforcement in Pennsylvania, told the Senate Committee.



H. M. King Alfonso of Spain, after receiving the honorary degree of Doctor of Civil Laws at Oxford University.



Captain C. M. Berry is a member of the party, headed by Captain Rene Focke, that will attempt to fly from New York to Paris this Summer.



WILL HAYS



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Mr. Will Hays has agreed to remain moving picture "Tsar" for the next ten years. When his pilots went on strike for better planes, Mr. Charles Dickinson, 68, said to be the oldest aviator in America, flew with a mail between Chicago and St. Paul. He holds the mail contract. Mrs. Edith Rogers, Congresswoman, announced that she would spend the recess investigating legislation to aid cotton mills in her district, hit by style changes to silk. M. Gaston Doumergue, President of France.



A new test of the Administration is seen in the Wisconsin Republican primaries where Senator Irvine L. Lenroot (top) is opposed by Governor J. J. Blaine (below) for Senatorial honours.



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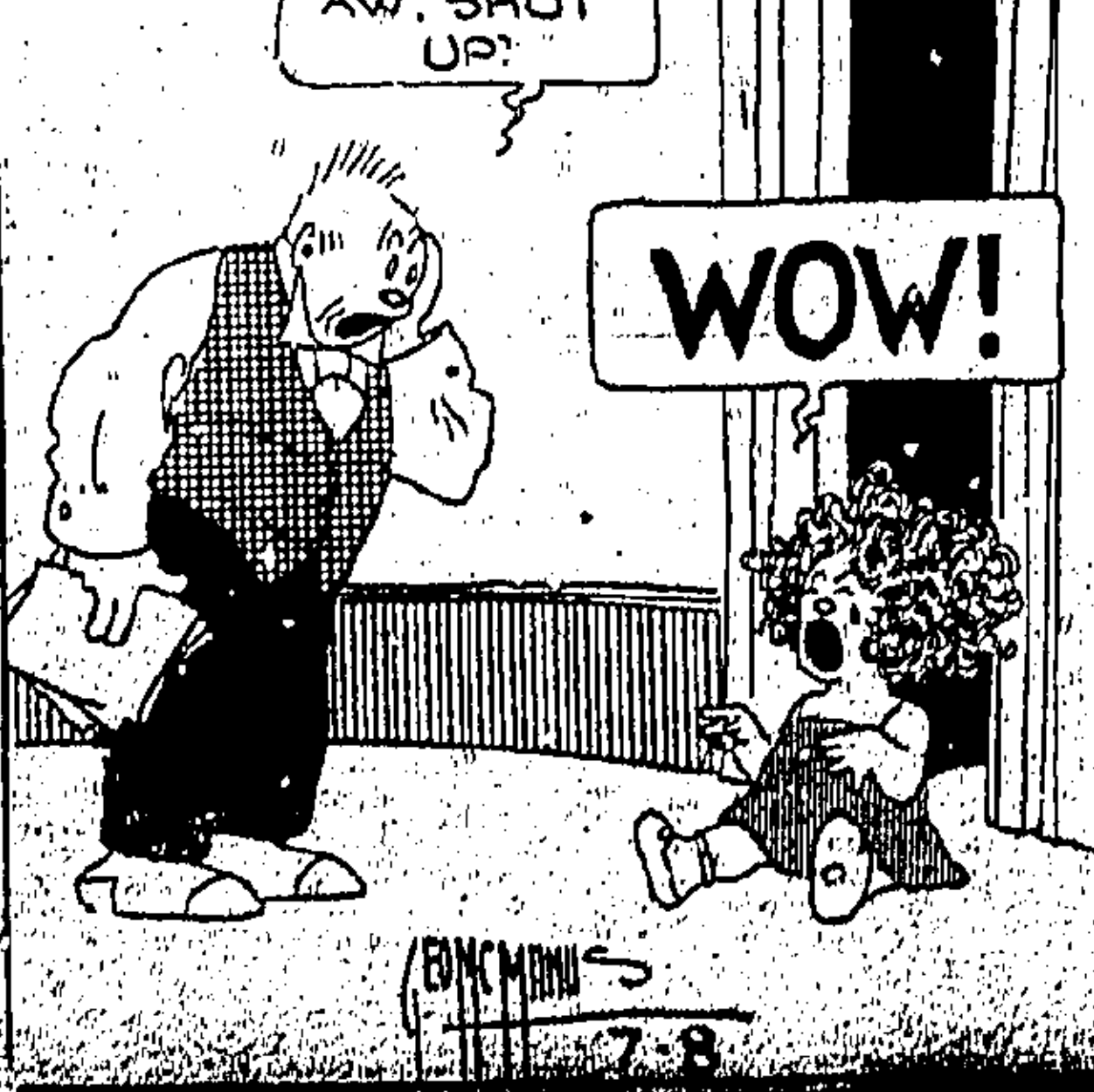
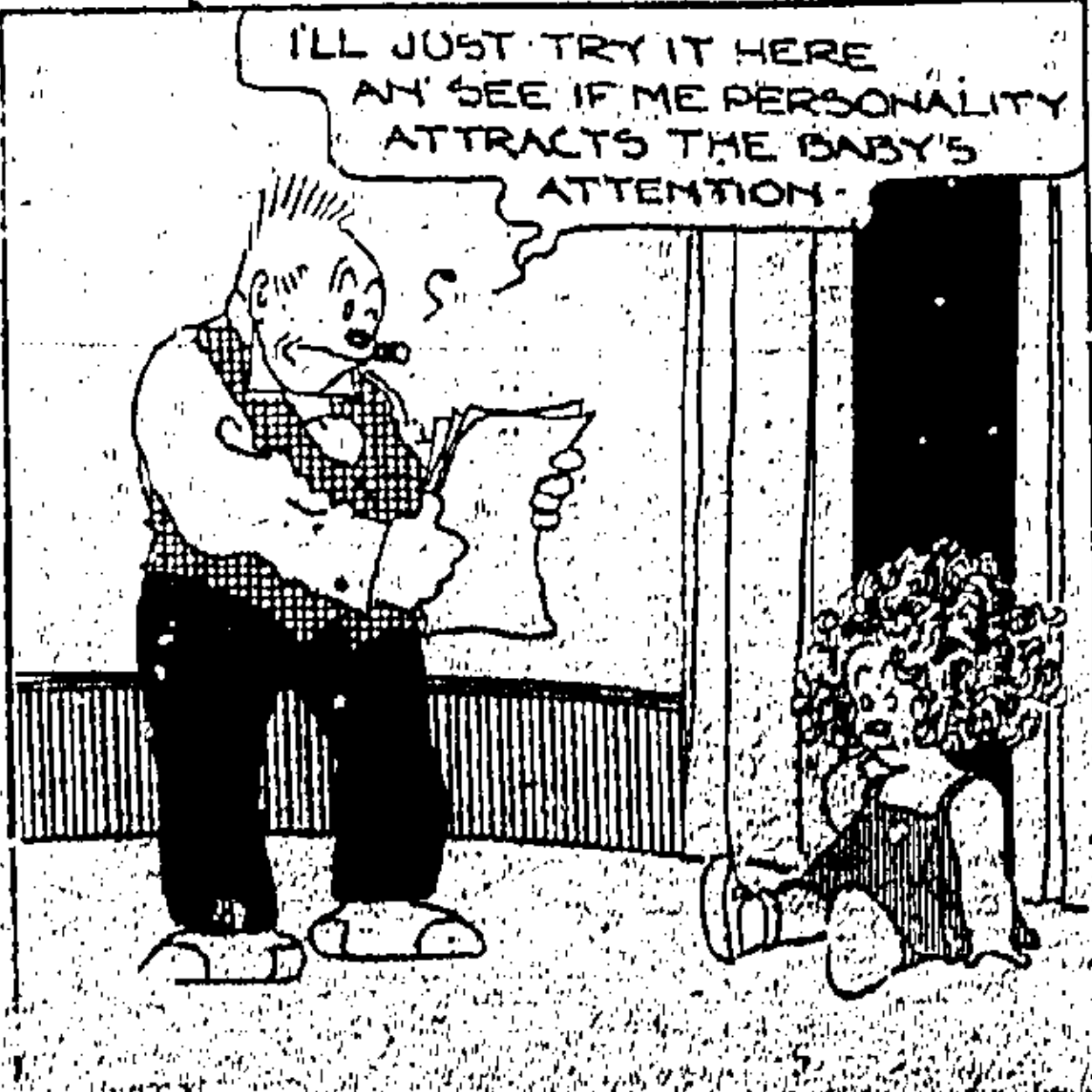
PERCY BOWDEN

Senator James E. Watson took the leadership in the Congressional attack on the Administration farm programme. Mr. David Lloyd George, the Liberal leader in the House of Commons, is ageing. Mr. S. S. Lewis, State Treasurer of Pennsylvania, was a witness before the Senate committee investigating primary expenditures. Mr. Percy Bowden, police chief of Douglas, Arizona, continued the investigation into the disappearance of Ames Semple McPherson, evangelist, who was found there.

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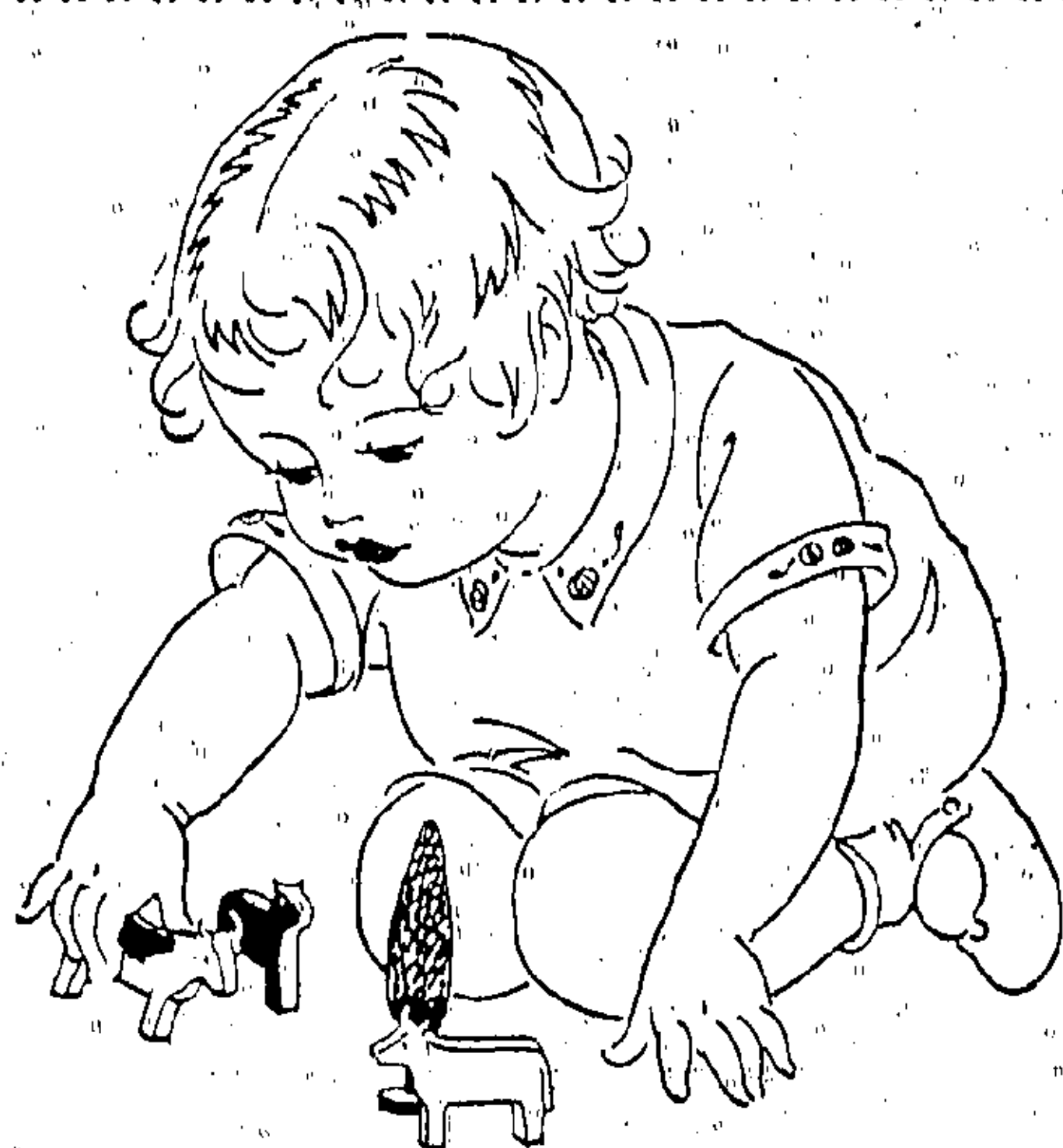
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THE CHAPEL WATERWORKS.

NEWSPAPERS CRITICISM.

Accustomed as we are to the sublime oriental indifference for all considerations of hygiene and to the notorious Chinese proclivity for allowing everything under their charge to go to wrack and ruin, the story of the Chapel Waterworks still strikes one with a sense of something monstrously incredible. For years past the residents of Chapel have been complaining of the filthiness of the water supplied them, but without the slightest effect. While the plant originally installed was as good as any in the world, it has suffered such deterioration for want of care that much of it is unusable. Filters are out of order; the bottom of settling tanks is actually verminous; the intake from the Soochow Creek is surrounded with beggar boats so that the water drawn in is little better than sewage; and the water run from any tap is thick with cholera germs. The returns of cholera cases coming from Chapel as published by the Health Commissioner are bad enough as they stand. But notification, even in the Settlement, is only partial; it cannot be fully enforced; and the recorded cases, it may safely be assumed, are not more than a third of those that have actually occurred. In any other country in the world, the authorities of the Chapel Waterworks would be facing a charge of manslaughter. But who cares in China?

At the moment of writing the supply of water has been improved, owing to the strenuous measures taken in the past few days; one would scarcely recommend anyone to drink it unboiled, but it is less poisonous than it was. But it is to be observed that this improvement is simply and solely due to cleanings and precautions practically forced upon the Chapel people by the foreign authorities, to whom alone is due the initiative which brought these disgraceful facts to light and prompted the remedies. Furthermore, those remedies are only partial, just what can be applied to meet the urgent necessity of the moment. The whole plant needs radical overhauling and every main, which has been carrying fetid water for years past calls for thorough cleansing, quite probably total renewal. Yet it is morally certain that as soon as the cholera epidemic begins to subside and foreign pressure is withdrawn, nothing will be done and the Chapel waterworks will continue to be run or rather to run themselves, with the old, criminal slackness and inefficiency.

The monstrous unfairness to the people of the International Settlement and French Concession arising from the Chapel Waterworks Company's conduct must strike every reader. And be it observed that it is entirely the Chinese who

suffer. No foreigners would dream of drinking Chapel water, even if they had houses in the district; and only a limited number of them are in danger of being brought into proximity with the cholera cases from Chapel. It is the Chinese who, in this as in every instance of their officials' mismanagement, bear the brunt. But again, who cares? The callous indifference of the Chapel Waterworks' directors for human life is typical of the attitude of practically all Chinese in official and semi-official positions. It is only the foreigner who insists that something must be done to save life. And it is the people who are responsible for the appalling state of things in Chapel who wish to impose their methods on the unfortunate foreigner, to make him "racially equal" to themselves, to abolish the treaty rights which alone enable the foreigner to protect himself from this kind of thing, to take over the areas outside Settlement limits which are now supplied by foreign public utility concerns, etc., and to supply their own foul products themselves.

Will public opinion in China never be aroused to take action against the corruption and gross mismanagement which are ruining the land? For the past three or four days, the Chinese papers have been full of the case of a Chinese hawk, who, having stolen a watch on board a Japanese ship, the "Manri Maru" and being chased, fell down a hatchway and was accidentally killed; and from the clamour raised by the Chinese press, anyone who did not know the truth, might suppose that some unparalleled outrage had been committed. But of the criminal neglect of the Chapel Waterworks authorities, which is directly responsible for deaths and agony of hundreds of their fellow-countrymen, never a word. Why do not the students,

the street unions and other busy-bodies, who continually hammer any and every foreign institution, no matter what benefits it has brought and is continually bringing to China, take this great opportunity to attack and bring down the people responsible for the appalling loss of life that has resulted from the gross and careless neglect of the Chapel Waterworks Company? Instead of doing any such thing these people would appear to accept quite meekly the worst possible conditions and mortality resulting therefrom without lifting a finger or making any protest whatever.

But, of course, the answer is easy. Among the authorities of the Chapel Waterworks, there might be some one with a "pull" in high places, and the results of criticism might be greatly inconvenient to the critic. Have we not all seen what happened to the wretched editor in Peking who wrote an article offensive to the mighty Chang Chung-chang? We must be careful, brethren, about folks who can bite. Let us rather display our patriotic fervour, our zeal for reform, our love of country, by denouncing the foreigner. He doesn't deserve it, of course; very much the reverse, indeed. But he may be trusted not to retaliate and everyone will see from the fury of our denunciations how noble we are and how we labour for the good of our countrymen.

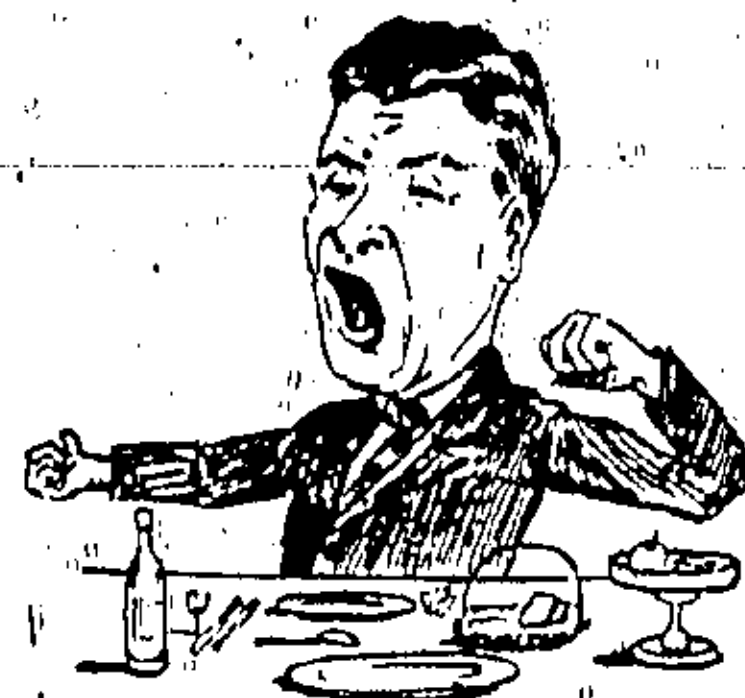
So the students, the labour unions, the street organisations argue with themselves. And meanwhile their countrymen die like flies, until the despised foreigner steps in and virtually forces some temporary reform upon the people whose callous indifference and shameful neglect have brought this misery upon the district they are paid to serve.—"N. C. Daily News."

JAZZ BAND IN CHURCH.

The unusual spectacle of a jazz band playing in a place of worship was witnessed at Blackpool, at the marriage in All Saints' Church, of Edwin Holman, of Brixton, S.W., an ex-Guardsman and an instrumentalist in a band now appearing on the North Pier, to Winifred Barratt, also of Brixton. There was a large crowd at the ceremony, including professional colleagues of the bridegroom from various amusement resorts in the town, and the jazz band, under the conductorship of Mr. John Birmingham, played the well-known hymns, "Oh Perfect Love" and "Love Divine," and Mendelssohn's "Wedding March."

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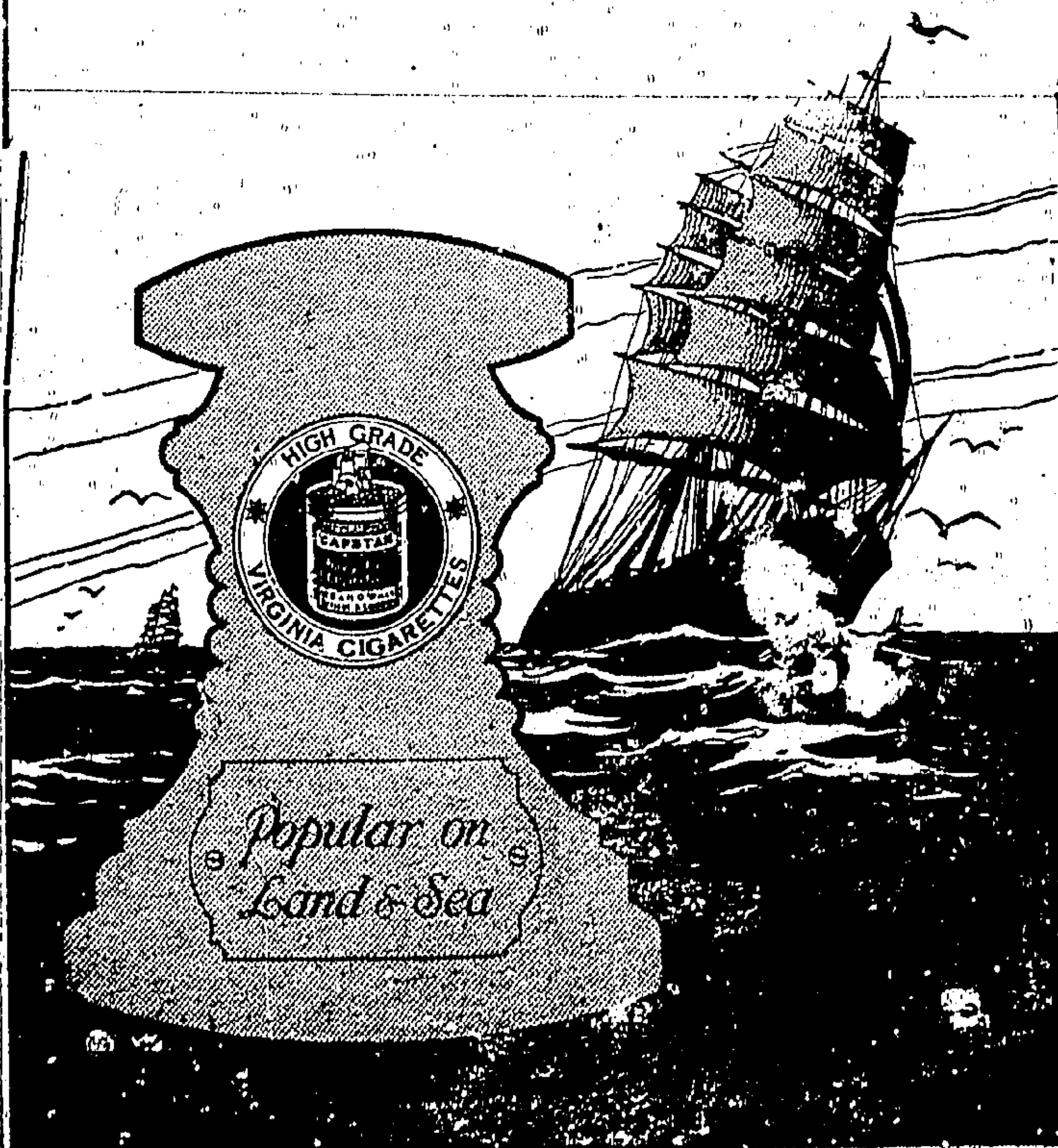
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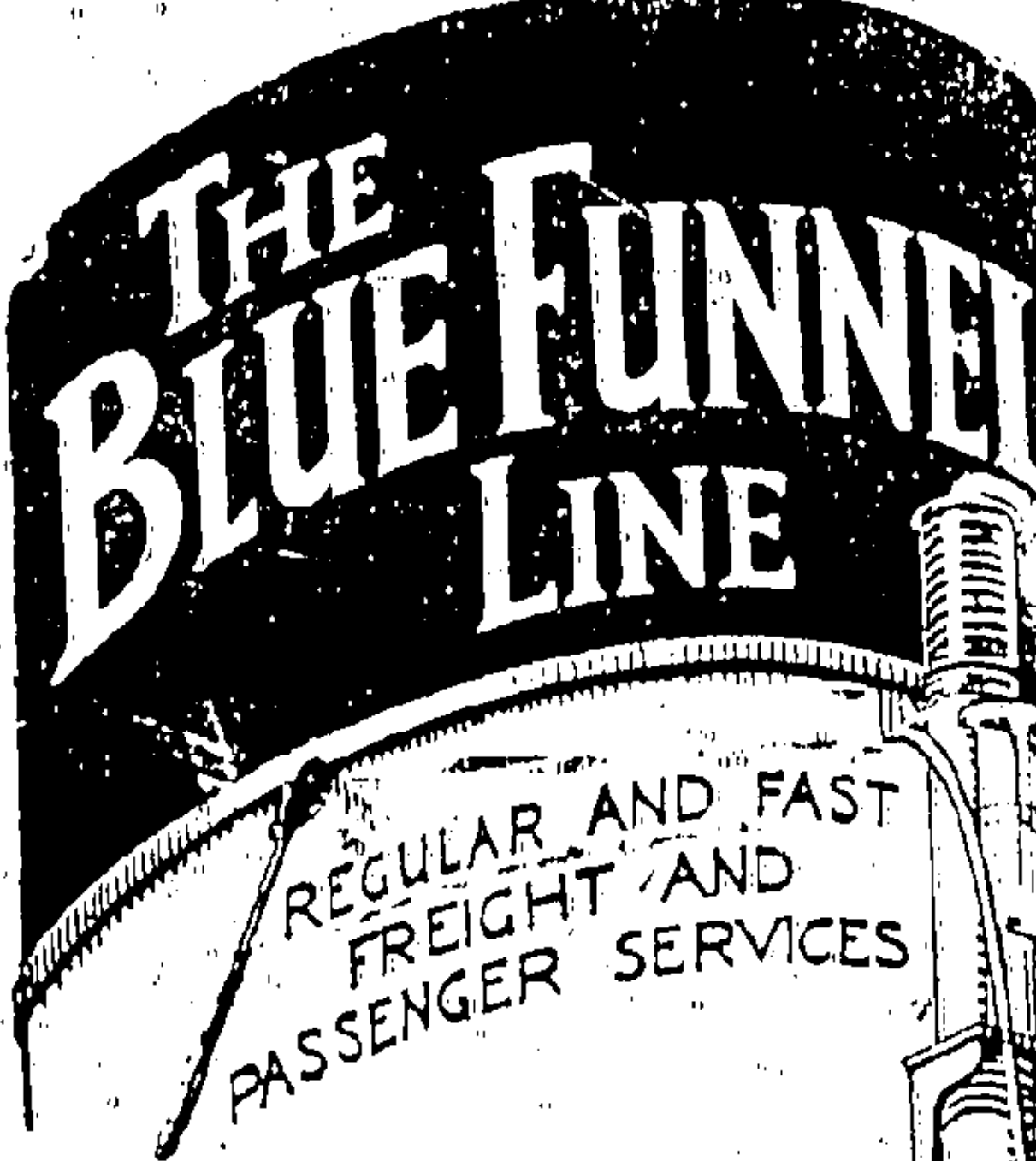
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GERMANY AND THE LEAGUE.

BRITISH POLICY.

For the third time this year questions relating to Germany's entry into League of Nations will be up for discussion at the September meeting of Council and Assembly which in consequence will be invested with an importance which is fully recognised here.

Germany's application for membership was first considered at the March meeting of the League when it was rejected owing to claims by Spain, Brazil, and Poland to receive permanent seats on the Council simultaneously with Germany.

The whole question of the composition of the Council was as the outcome referred to a special Committee of representatives of fifteen countries, including all the members of the Council and Germany.

The Committee's interim report, which had received a unanimous first reading and was later presented to the Council, approved of the so-called "Cecil" plan for the creation of nine temporary members, of whom three should retire each year and be ineligible for re-election for a period of three years, subject to a proviso that by a two-thirds majority of the Assembly not more than three Powers could be declared eligible for a further period. The effect would be to create three semi-permanent seats, which would be filled by the vote of the Assembly.

Spain's Claim.

Spain had agreed to this plan on the understanding that her claim to a permanent seat should not be jeopardised, and the question of permanent seats was to have been dealt with at a further meeting of the Committee in June. No such meeting was held, as it was thought that it could only register discussion on the main problem, but the power to call the Committee together was at the June meeting of the Council left to the Presidents of the Council and of the Committee. It has now been summoned, and will meet at Geneva at the end of month so that its complete report will be available at the September meeting of the Council.

Although no decision was made at the earlier meeting concerning the permanent seats the sense of the Committee was strongly against the creation of any additional ones except that of Germany.

Present Position.

The present position is that Brazil has announced her resignation from League and Spain has indicated that she will not submit herself for re-election as a temporary member of the Council.

It is hoped that the Polish claim will be satisfied by a seat on the Council, temporary or semi-permanent as the Assembly may decide.

The British attitude at the coming meeting of the Committee, which will be voiced by Lord Cecil, still is that the entry of Germany into the League, with a permanent seat on the Council, must take precedence over all other considerations. The view is strongly held that in the circumstances the best (and at present the only) means of securing a fair and early settlement of the problem is the adoption of the Cecil plan.

With the addition of Germany, it is claimed, the League's influence and authority in Europe and the world will be greatly enhanced, and it is hoped that for this reason Spain will be anxious to continue to co-operate in solving world problems and those of European reconstruction which will come before it.—British Wireless Service.

COTTON INDUSTRY.

AN AMERICAN YARN ASSOCIATION.

REGULATING PRICES.

London, August 17.

A mass meeting of spinners of American yarn in Manchester have decided to form the American Yarn Association, Limited. The main object is to prevent the selling of yarn under production cost in conjunction with the basis prices scheme mentioned in yesterday's cables.—Reuter.

GENERAL REVOLT.

SEQUEL TO RELIGIOUS LAWS.

FIFTY ARRESTS.

Mexico City, August 17.

It is unofficially suggested that the force mentioned on August 15 was part of a general revolutionary movement.

According to the Police, risings have been planned in the Puebla, Morelos, Michacan, Jalisco, and Chihuahua States and the Federal District of Mexico City.

Fifty arrests have been made in Mexico City in connection with an alleged abortive plot and widespread disorders on August 15 against the Government's religious policy.—Reuter.

[A San Diego cable published yesterday stated:—The American authorities have arrested and imprisoned 150 men, mobilised three miles on this side of the Mexican frontier, under command of General Enrique Estrada, Mexican ex-Secretary of War, when on the point of making an insurgent descent on towns across the border. The captured include Estrada and his staff. The authorities also seized quantities of arms, an armoured truck, two machine gun trucks, and documents giving complete plans of their projected insurrection.]

METAL TRUST.

FRANCE AND BELGIUM HANG BACK.

Paris, August 17.

The newspapers declare that negotiations for the formation of a Metal Trust have not led to a rupture, but France and Belgium have asked time to reconsider the question of signing an agreement until September 17.

The majority of the French manufacturers regard the proposed quotas as satisfactory, but the Belgians protest that Luxembourg is favoured at their expense. The newspaper, "Le Journal," however, suspects that Belgium is influenced by British abstention from the proposed syndicate.—Reuter.

German Version.

Berlin, August 17.

The reports from Paris that the Metal Trust negotiations have broken down are denied. It is declared that the French and Belgian delegates reserved their decision as regards the signing of an agreement until September 17.

German circles declare that difficulties have arisen which are due, mainly, to the Belgian representatives objecting to the twelve per cent. quota granted to them as inadequate. Their demand for a higher quota is based on the present favourable export conditions owing to the low rate of the Belgian franc, but the Germans claim that if Belgian currency is stabilised a higher quota than twelve per cent. would not be justified.

It is also suggested that the Belgian opposition is encouraged by the British iron and steel concerns, which would like to see the negotiations fail.

A complete agreement has been reached between the German and Luxembourg delegates.

The great majority of the French firms are satisfied with the result of the negotiations.

The Germans hope that the Belgian objections may be overcome by September 1; but, if not, they do not propose to re-open the negotiations because they consider that the quota question has been definitely settled in a manner doing justice to all parties.—Reuter.

KOREAN PLOT.

OFFICIAL DENIAL OF REPORT.

Tokyo, Aug. 17.

It is officially learned that the plot to assassinate the Governor-General of Korea, which the Nichi Nichi reported last night, is untrue, though it is confirmed that nine Koreans have been arrested at Tokyo, and three at Tokyo, all of whom have been charged with conduct subversive to good order.—Reuter.

QUEER REQUEST.

EGYPTIAN DIPLOMATS TO REFUND EXPENSES.

PARLIAMENT'S DECISION.

Cairo, Aug. 17.

Parliament has adopted a motion that Ziwir Pasha and Ahmed Zulficar Pasha, ex-Ministers in Rome, each refund £500 paid to them for travelling expenses when they were appointed and afterward sanctioned respectively by Ziwir Pasha when he was Finance Minister. Others may be requested to refund similar payments.—Reuter.

[A Cairo cable of August 15 stated:—The wholesale abolition of Egyptian Legations and Consulates abroad has been voted by Parliament as a measure of economy. Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Brazil, Belgium, Holland, Czechoslovakia and Roumania are affected hereby. The Foreign Minister opposed the abolition of the Spanish Legation, but the Chairman of the Parliamentary commission, which proposed the whole matter, said this was agreed to by the Ministers.]

BALKAN PACT.

GREECE MAKES UP WITH YUGO SLAVIA.

FOUR CONVENTIONS.

Athens, August 17.

Four Conventions have been signed by Greece and Yugo-Slavia dealing with common, railway stations, secondly, communications and transit; thirdly, tariffs; and fourthly, providing for arbitration in case of disputes. It is hoped that these Conventions will put a happy end to a trying situation which has completely obscured the Balkan horizon.

Other Conventions are being negotiated with Albania and Bulgaria, the whole of which may justify a hope that the time is not distant for the conclusion of a pact between the Balkan States.—Reuter.

EMPTY COFFIN.

MORE ABOUT KITCHENER MYTH.

London, August 17.

The journalist, Frank Power, who for some months has been exploiting the story in a Sunday newspaper of Kitchener's fate after the torpedoing of the "Hampshire" off the North of Scotland during the war, recently went to Norway, where he declared the bodies of several of the "Hampshire" crew were washed ashore and buried. He returned with a case enclosing a coffin, in which he asserted had been exhumed and contained the Field Marshal's remains.

The authorities, who previously scoffed at the story, as the result of inquiries in Norway, then seized the case and ordered an inquest, which resulted in the discovery of a coffin, apparently new and which never had contained any remains.—Reuter.

JAPAN & SOVIET.

CONFISCATION OF TWO VESSELS.

Tokyo, Aug. 17.

The Japanese Government is lodging a strong protest with the Soviet because of the latter's confiscation of two Japanese vessels on July 5 and the imprisoning and fining of the captains on the ground that they had been poaching within the twelve-mile limit.

Quoting precedents, the Japanese Government protests and demands the release of the vessels, the reimbursement of the fines, and compensation for loss due to arbitrary Soviet action, together with a pledge against a repetition.

It is reported that the Foreign Office is prepared to retaliate if the demands are ignored.—Reuter.

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